




Searsport

2012 Annual Report



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Wayne Hamilton is a lifelong resident of Searsport. He and his wife Loraine own and operate Hamilton Marine. Wayne has also served as the Town of Searsport's Harbormaster for twenty-eight years.

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ONE HUNDRETH SIXTY EIGHTH

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF

SEARSPORT, MAINE

FISCAL YEAR 2012

REPORT DEDICATION



Lewis E. Seekins

On December 12, 2012 we suddenly lost Lew at the age of 76. He was very dedicated to his family, friends, his business and our town. He owned and operated L.E. Seekins Construction. In the eighties he served as the town's highway foreman. Under his supervision we rebuilt many of our roads. Lew also served for many years on the Town of Searsport Planning Board and the Board of Appeals. He was also our communities plumbing inspector for twenty-five years. Lou served in the Army National Guard and was past master of Belfast Masonic Lodge, Scottish and York Rites. He was a member of Anah Temple Shrine, where he served in the Medic Corps. He and his wife Mary owned and operated L& M Grocery in Searsport. On top of all these accomplishments he held a Maine real estate license.

Lew was a great friend to everyone and will be missed deeply and remembered forever.

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AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS
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PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
SMALL BUSINESS
SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY
SUBCOMMITTEE ON RURAL AND URBAN
ENTREPRENEURSHIP
SUBCOMMITTEE ON TAX AND FINANCE

Dear Searsport Residents and Friends:

While far from perfect, the legislation passed to avoid December's fiscal cliff embodied a spirit of bipartisan compromise that I hope will carry over to a broader agreement on our nation's finances. The bill ensures that Mainers will not have to pay an estimated \$1.4 billion in additional taxes in 2013, and extends a number of vital programs relied upon by Mainers. I look forward to working on a fiscally sound compromise that avoids burdening our most vulnerable citizens, seniors and veterans.

The gridlock in Washington has not slowed my efforts to fight for Maine's industries on the national and international arena. I have been proud to lead the fight in Congress to protect American manufacturers like New Balance, which employs approximately 900 Maine workers across three factories, from unfair tariff reductions. After presenting President Obama with his own set of New Balance Sneakers, I brought U.S. Trade Representative Ron Kirk to the Norridgewock facility to learn more about the industry. I have also worked with Ambassador Kirk to oppose Nova Scotia's proposed subsidies for its paper mill in Port Hawkesbury.

My 2nd annual tour of Maine's manufacturers to hear firsthand about their success and challenges was very helpful. These tours are an important part of my ongoing "Make it in Maine" agenda which consists of initiatives to boost domestic manufacturing. The feedback I received has been invaluable in helping to identify legislative action needed to support job growth in the industry.

It will also be my great honor to continue serving our nation's veterans as the new Ranking Member of the House Veterans Affairs Committee. While I am proud of my accomplishments helping to improve services for our brave men and women in uniform, I know there is still so much to do. As Ranking Member of the full Committee, I will fight for new advances in areas such as veteran employment, VA claims backlogs, and veterans' health care.

My highest priority has always been ensuring that Mainers receive timely and quality constituent services. Whether you have a specific concern with a federal agency or need help connecting to resources, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at any of my offices. I also encourage you to visit my website (www.house.gov/michaud), where you can email me, sign up for email updates, and connect with me on Facebook and Twitter.

Thank you again for the opportunity to represent you in Congress.

With warmest regards,



Michael H. Michaud
Member of Congress

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Annual Report to the Town of Searsport

A Message from Senator Michael Thibodeau

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

It is an honor to represent you in the Maine State Senate for a second term, and I am grateful for the trust you have placed in me to work for the betterment of this community and Waldo County.

Looking back at the results of the past two-year session, I am proud of the work we accomplished in an extremely difficult fiscal climate. We increased state funding to local schools, brought solvency to the retiree pension system, created more transparency and accountability at state agencies, and paid back our local hospitals millions of dollars. We worked hard to deliver the changes we promised, and we succeeded. In the coming year I hope we will resist any efforts to roll back the steps taken during the 125th Legislature to set Maine on better financial footing and toward a brighter future.

Lawmakers have had a great deal of work on their plates since session kicked into full swing in January. The most daunting task has been addressing a \$120 million shortfall within the Department of Health and Human Services and its MaineCare program. We must also address a \$35 million revenue shortfall in the budget that ends June 30 and a projected \$880 million gap in the next two-year budget.

Maine continues to be hampered by high energy costs and increasing health care costs. It is a priority of mine to find a way to lower energy costs to help preserve the jobs we have in our state and encourage new job growth. Young people are leaving Maine to find opportunity elsewhere at an alarming rate. We must work in Augusta to pass legislation that will help grow our economy so that our youth can find opportunities here at home to work and live. Until we address these issues, Maine will continue to lag behind other states.

This session I have been given the honor of serving as the Senate Republican Leader having been elected to this post by my Republican colleagues. This position brings new responsibilities which include helping to steer the direction of the Maine Senate and better position the state for economic success.

Again, thank you for entrusting me to represent you in Augusta. Please feel free to contact me if you ever need my help in navigating the state bureaucracy. I would be happy to help in any way that I can. I can be reached in Augusta at 287-1505.

Sincerely,

Michael Thibodeau
Maine State Senator



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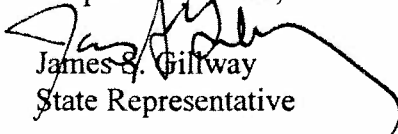
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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I sincerely thank the residents of District 41 for entrusting me as your State Representative. The work is hard and my schedule is certainly full; however, the efforts are rewarding. I serve on the Transportation committee. I enjoy the work this committee does. It goes without saying that with one of Maine's three ports located in our district and many miles of State highway the decisions made by this committee can have huge impacts to our communities. I am very proud of some of the accomplishments we attained in Transportation. Over the past two years our committee unanimously passed a bill to allow for family members of men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice in military combat to display the Gold Star license plate on their vehicles. We worked with the Maine Department of Transportation to expand the total miles of roads that are being paved each year. We also passed a series of bills related to cleaning the problems associated with the mismanagement of the Maine Turnpike Authority. Your input as consumers and constituents will be greatly appreciated as we work to make the Transportation Committee truly work for Maine people.

One of the only things about being a State Representative I do not like is negative partisan politics. During my campaign for re-election much money was spent against me to smear my record and my reputation. I am proud to have resisted the outside influence of party and special interest money to run a negative and dishonest campaign. I was re-elected to the Maine Legislature on the promise to represent you and protect our communities to keep them not only the way life should be but the way we as residents want them to be. To keep this promise, I will be seeking your input regularly and want to hear from you with your comments and concerns, please call me anytime at 548-6429 or email at jgillway@yahoo.com to keep me updated on those concerns. If you would like to be added to my email update list, you can do so by emailing me directly with your request. Again, thank you for giving me the honor of serving you in Augusta!

Respectfully yours,


James S. Gillway
State Representative

SUSAN W. LONGLEY, Judge
SHARON W. PEAHEY, Register



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WALDO COUNTY PROBATE COURT

To the Citizens of Waldo County:

Thank you for this opportunity to report on Waldo County Probate Court.

As you may know, as Waldo County Probate Judge, I preside over such family's legal matters as guardianships, conservatorships, adoptions, name changes and decedent's estates (mostly wills).

Of all the probate issues possible, I see lots of petitions for guardianships for children and vulnerable adults. And because so many of you citizens have asked questions about these matters, I here would like to add a quick explanation of these guardianship issues.

In a nutshell, a probate judge only can appoint a guardians for a child or a vulnerable adult, if a petitioner – often another member of the family – can prove clearly and convincingly that (1) the child's parents are not fit to parent, or, if for an adult, the adult is "incapacitated" by virtue of mental or physical illness, deficiency or disability, chronic use of drugs or chronic intoxication and (2) a court appointment of a guardian would be in the child's or adult's best interest.

Finally, next fall, I will offer more "Probate Basics" presentations in area towns to help citizens understand advance directives. Until then, have a great spring and summer. Thank you again for this opportunity to serve as judge of probate and for your kind interest and support.

Respectfully,

Susan W. Longley
Judge of Probate

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SHERIFF

Scott L. Story

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CHIEF DEPUTY

Jeffrey C. Trafton

Another year has passed here at the Sheriff's Office and again I am providing, with this report, the statistics of law enforcement actions, as well as some facts and figures from the corrections division. We are fortunate to have a very hard working crew with dedication to their chosen professions. We have fostered a team atmosphere here where we all succeed or fail as a team. Our successes are measured not by just statistical data, but by the positive interaction with the community and our dedication to service. In patrol, that might be an officer putting out a house fire with an extinguisher from his cruiser, finding a lost individual, or staying with someone following a death notification, all things we have seen in the past. In corrections, it is the individual who leaves the reentry after 10 to 20 years in the prison system, clean, sober, employed, fines paid, a place to live, drivers license, education and healthy relationships. In the past, this was unheard of, at the Maine Coastal Regional Reentry Center, it is our goal to make it common place.

We have a few new faces this past year with replacements in both patrol and corrections. While we have had a few replacements, our turnover rate is actually quite low compared to other agencies. The most notable change to the staff however, was the return of Raymond Porter. Ray has taken the helm at the Reentry and 72 hour hold as the Corrections Administrator. Ray comes back to us after leaving several years ago to pursue a career with Probation and Parole. His background in corrections and programming made him the perfect choice for the job. In a very short time he has reset the bar at our facility, pushing it even higher. We are fortunate to have him here. Last year 53 individuals came through the reentry center with the majority of them going back into the community with a much lower risk of reoffending than they would have without the program.

In light of national school tragedies this past year, our school resource officer program has become just that more critical. In its third year, the officer continues to be an integral part of the RSU 3 School District, providing security, mentoring, education and a liaison between law enforcement and youth. The program has been well received and continues to be funded by the school district.

Finally, on a fiscal note (no pun intended), we were able to come in well under our budget for 2012. Fleet maintenance management, court overtime management and fuel costs staying below what we anticipated allowed us to send back around 50K to the general fund. We were able to keep the budget request for 2013 under a 2% increase as well. If fuel costs stay low, we should be able to pull it off. We recognize the struggle that many of our citizens have in today's economy. We pledge to keep our costs down as much as possible and our service second to none.

Sincerely,

Sheriff Scott Story

2013 HOLIDAY & CLOSURE SCHEDULE

Tuesday January 1st	New Years Day
Monday January 21st	Dr. Martin Luther King Jrs Birthday
Monday February 18th	President's Day
Monday April 15th	Patriot's Day
Monday May 27th	Memorial Day
Thursday July 4th	Independence Day
Monday September 2nd	Labor Day
Monday October 14th	Columbus Day
Monday November 11th	Veteran's Day
Thursday November 28th	Thanksgiving
Friday November 29th	Thanksgiving
Wednesday December 25th	Christmas Day

**EMERGENCY & STORM CLOSURES WILL BE POSTED ON CABLE ACCESS
CHANNEL 7
AS WELL AS MAJOR NEWS NETWORKS.**



TRANSFER STATION:

The Transfer Station is closed during the above Holidays.

Hours of Operation:

Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday

9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

You will need a Transfer Station Permit for each vehicle entering the Transfer Station. There is no charge for vehicle permits and they can be picked up at the Town Office during regular business hours.

Please see the Recycling and Trash Disposal Pamphlet (available at the Town Office) for current regulations and costs. Each 30 gallon bag must have a trash sticker. These stickers cost one dollar each and are available at the Town Office and Steamboat Market.

THERE WILL BE NO DEPOSITING OF REFUSE AT THE TRANSFER STATION AT ANY TIME OTHER THAN THOSE HOURS LISTED ABOVE.

2013 IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

January 1st	Fiscal Year Begins.
February 1st	Late Fees Begin For Dog Licenses.
March 5th	Annual Municipal Elections @ The Public Safety Building 8a.m. to 8p.m.
March 9th	Annual Town Meeting @ Searsport High School /Middle School. 9 a.m.
April 1st	All property, both Real and Personal, assessed to owner of record <u>as of April 1st</u>: Owners must bring in a list of property to the Assessor to be eligible to make a claim for abatement. (This form can be found in the back of this report or at the Town Office).
June 12th	School Budget/Potential State Referendum Election @ the Public Safety Building 8a.m. to 8p.m.
June 30th	Re-register Snowmobiles and ATV's.
July 28th - 31st	Tax Bills mailed out, at the end of July.
September 3rd	Taxes are due and payable.
October 15th	Interest begins to accrue on all unpaid Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes.
October 15th	New tags available for upcoming year Dog Licenses.
December 1st	New Hunting Fishing Licenses available for upcoming year.
December 31st	Fiscal Year ends.

Town Staff

James S. Gillway.....Town Manager
Deborah Plourde.....Town Clerk
Harriet Clark.....Deputy Clerk
Patsy Wood.....Deputy Clerk
Polly Abbott.....Bookkeeper
William Terry.....Tax Assessor
Richard LaHaye, Jr.Chief of Police
Dennis Remillard.....Patrol Officer
Eric Marcel.....Patrol Officer
Andrew Webster.....Fire Chief
Almon Rivers.....Emergency Management Director
Cory Morse.....Ambulance Director
Robert Seekins.....Public Works Director
Mike Kinney, Rick Lanphier.....Public Works Crew
Jerald Chaples.....Transfer Station Operator
Adam Lockhart.....Building/Grounds Maintenance
Erica Irish.....Library Director
William Pollari.....Assistant Librarian
Howard Clark.....Wastewater Chief Operator
Robert Bouchard.....Wastewater Operator
Randolph Hall.....Plumbing Inspector
Randolph Hall.....Code Enforcement Officer
Wayne Hamilton.....Harbormaster
Cory Morse/Suesan Packer.....Health Officer
Arthur Koch JR..... Animal Control Officer

Board of Selectmen

Aaron Fethke, Chair.....Term Expires 2015
Richard Desmarais.....Term Expires 2014
Joseph Perry.....Term Expires 2015
Roland LaReau.....Term Expires 2013
Doug Norman.....Term Expires 2014

TOWN TELEPHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCY(Police/Fire/Ambulance).....911

PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE TOWN OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY DISPATCH.

North Fire Station.....548-6262

Public Safety Building:

Ambulance/Fire NON Emergency.....548-2302

Police NON Emergency.....548-2304

Waldo County Communications Center (Waldo Com)

Public Safety NON Emergency.....338-2040

Town Garage.....548-2301

Carver Memorial Library.....548-2303

Wastewater Treatment Plant.....548-6320

Town Office.....548-6372

Town Manager..... Ext. 211

Town Clerk..... Ext. 203

Deputy Clerk.....Ext. 201

Bookkeeper.....Ext. 210

Code Enforcement.....Ext. 209

Assessor.....Ext. 207

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The Town has developed a new website at searsport.maine.gov.

This site holds important town information such as: ordinances, directions, event and meeting information, and contact information. Please log in and see all the web site has to offer.

Boards & Committee Chairs

Planning Board

J. Bruce ProbertTerm Expires 2013

Board of Appeals

Percy King, Jr.....Term Expires 2013

Board of Assessment Review

Assessor William Terry.....Contact Person

Comprehensive Planning Committee

Mark Bradstreet.....Term Expires 2014

Economic Development Committee

Ralph Harvey.....Term Expires 2015

Historic Preservation Committee

Marie Underwood.....Term Expires 2013

Shellfish Management Committee

Robert Ramsdell.....Term Expires 2014

Budget Advisory Committee

Faith Garrold.....Term Expires 2013

Cable Television Committee

George Kerper.....Term Expires 2013

Cemetery Committee

Donald Garrold.....Volunteer Since 2004

Recycling/Conservation Committee

James S. Gillway.....Contact Person

R.S.U.#20 Board of Directors

Percy King.....Term Expires 2013
Darren Philbrick.....Term Expires 2014
Tony Bagley.....Term Expires 2015

Regional School Unit #20:

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Searsport Elementary School.....548-2317
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Searsport Water District:

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Larry Clark, Clerk

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Business hours are Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

In case of an emergency during non business hours please call the
Waldo County Dispatch Center @ 1-800-660-3398



Managers Report

I personally am glad to see 2012 behind us. It was a somewhat difficult year in many ways. There have been a lot of people upset about the proceedings in front of the planning board. The concerns and criticism has, at times, been difficult to endure. Our staff and volunteers have done a wonderful job under the pressure. We continue to stress that we are trying our best to make sure that we follow the proper procedures and ensure that the process is executed professionally and with respect given to all. In 2012 four full-time employees left or changed jobs in Searsport. JR Moody left the Town's Public Works Department to drive for a private construction company and Jerry Chaples left his full-time position to work part-time at the transfer station. Police Officer Eric Bonney took a full-time job with Maine Court Security and Police Officer James S. Gillway Jr. took a full-time patrol position with the City of Ellsworth. We wish them well in their plans and endeavors. We were very fortunate to have great candidates to select replacements from. We hired Mike Kinney and Rick Lanphier for public works. Both of these men are long time residents of Searsport. We hired Dennis Remillard for the Police Department and are currently looking for a second officer to fill the police roster. Sadly we lost Lou Seekins in 2012. He was a former Highway Department Head and long time volunteer for many boards as well as our plumbing inspector for twenty-five years.

The auditors complimented us on our operations. They reported that we earned \$29,923.99 in interest on our investments last year. This appears to have leveled off and is steady. Our tax collections are down slightly. We currently stand at about 97% of the 2011 taxes paid and 91% of the 2012 taxes collected. The numbers are good but we would like to be better. Our unappropriated surplus of \$725,086.02 is \$48,938.32 less than the end of last year. At last years town meeting we did approve using \$75,000.00 to offset property taxes. We have consistently used surplus for this purpose but as our budgets get tighter to actual needs we will reach a point that we will not be able to.

At this point, all proposals are on the table in Augusta. It is impossible to know what the final outcome of the State's biennium budget will be. I have spoken to many legislators from both sides of the aisle and no one is advocating a complete gutting of revenue sharing and other programs that are designed for property tax relief. They all know that the State of Maine is faced with some very difficult decisions. I will continue to monitor the situation and will remain an advocate for our town.

In 2012, the town did not purchase many equipment items. We did purchase a new Equipment Trailer and replaced all of the mobile radios for the highway department. We invested in our infrastructure and completely rebuilt the Turnpike Road.

In 2012 we voted to raise the LD 1 Levy Limit at town meeting to equal to the increase in the budget. After the budget was voted on, we did not need to increase the limit. Our voted budget was less than the levy limit. This year we are presenting a budget that again shows an increase to the levy limit. Unlike last year we will need to raise the limit if we want to fulfill the request. This year we are only recommending up to \$50,000 of unappropriated surplus to be used to offset property taxes. It is impossible to tell what the actual mil rate will be until we see the School Budget and the State impacts. As always, we encourage everyone to be involved in the two other budgets that impact our mil rate as much as possible.

In November of 2012, I was re-elected to represent Searsport and House District 41 in Augusta. I am very grateful for the opportunity to do this job for you. There are a lot of

problems still facing our state. I believe my knowledge of local government and budgeting is a big help out there. I am constantly talking to my fellow legislators informing them of the local impacts that we feel as a result of the decisions that they make. This is especially true when it comes to budget matters. It is difficult at times to keep up with the grueling pace of both jobs, but I am determined to make sure both are sufficiently covered. It does mean that often during the day I am not physically in the office. I am in constant contact via e-mail and cell phone. I can usually be found in the office before sun up and long after sundown. I am very mindful that I would not be able to do either of these jobs without a great staff. We are all blessed to have dedicated capable people working for us.

It is difficult to adequately express the gratitude I have for all of the staff including full time, part-time, per diem and volunteers. 2012 was a challenging year and everyone did a great job. With several projects and decisions still being considered 2013 will be just as difficult. I am confident that we will rise to the challenge. I thank the citizens of Searsport for your continued help, support and patience during these difficult economic times. I personally want to thank the Board of Selectmen for their continued support. We all need to be grateful for the extraordinary efforts that our Planning Board has made this past year.

Respectfully Submitted:

James S. Gillway

James S. Gillway
Town Manager

**TOWN of SEARSPORT
ASSESSOR'S NOTICE
2013**

In accordance with Title 36, MRSA Section 706, the Assessor of the Municipality of Searsport, Maine hereby gives notice to all persons liable to taxation in said municipality, that the Assessor's Office is open daily Monday through Friday and will be open the evening of **Tuesday, April 2, 2013** from **6:00 PM to 8:00 PM** for the purpose of revising lists of estates taxable in the Town of Searsport.

All inhabitants of the Municipality of Searsport, Maine and all Administrators, Executors, Trustees, non-residents, etc., all estates taxable in said municipality or such persons hereby notified to **MAKE AND BRING INTO THE ASSESSOR TRUE AND PERFECT LISTS OF ALL THEIR ESTATES, REAL AND PERSONAL**, not by law exempt from taxation, of which they were possessed on the **FIRST DAY** of **APRIL 2013** and be prepared to make oath to the truth of the same and to answer all proper inquiries in writing as to the nature, situation and value of their property liable to be taxed.

ESTATES DISTRIBUTED

And when estates of persons deceased have been distributed during the past year, or have changed from any cause, the Executor, Administrator, or other persons interested, are hereby warned to give notice of such change, and in default of such notice will be held under the law the tax assessed although such estate has been wholly distributed and paid over.

And any person who neglects to comply with this notice is thereby banned to his right to make application to the Assessor for any abatement of his taxes, unless he offers such lists with his application and satisfies the assessor that he was unable to offer it at the time appointed.

BLANK SCHEDULES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE SEARSPORT TOWN OFFICE

William P. Terry
Searsport Assessor

2012 Searsport Assessor's Report

As always I am honored to serve as the Searsport Assessor, Thank You. The 2012 mill rate is \$20.20 per 1,000 dollars of valuation. The mill rate breaks as follows \$2.02 (10%) to the county, \$6.26(31%) to the Town and \$11.92(59%) for education. The rate was up about 2% from 2011. The State of Maine in order to balance the State budget will be making adjustments to the state revenue sharing. Even if the town budget expenditure stays the same the mill rate will go up. This also applies to the school and county taxes for the Town of Searsport. The amount of new construction in the Town of Searsport both in the residential and commercial areas has shown some improvement but is still slow. These things will likely cause a mill rate and property tax increase for the 2013 tax year. Property sale prices are still above the assessed values. The sales of distressed properties are usually below assessed values.

The resident Searsport taxpayers are reminded of the **Homestead Exemption, Veterans Exemption, Blind Exemption** and the **Maine Property Tax Refund Program**. To find out about the exemptions and refund program contact the Searsport assessor at the Town Office.

E9-1-1 – There are no lane names to be adopted by the Town as part of the Searsport Official Street Names List for this year. **House numbers need to be posted on the house or in such a manner, so emergency services can easily identify a property location.** Street signs provide guidance in locating an address and house numbers bring the services to your door. If you need help or information on putting up numbers, please contact the Searsport Addressing Officer at the Town Office. Your comments, ideas and suggestions are welcome. Stop in or call anytime.

Respectfully,

William P. Terry
Searsport Assessor & Addressing Officer

2012 ASSESSOR ABATEMENTS

Name	RE/PP	Tax year	Amount
P. Libby	RE	2011	\$ 25.74
A. & G. Austin	RE	2011	67.32
M. Horan	RE	2012	52.52
D. Kismatakis	PP	2012	166.65
B. Lane(devisees)	RE	2012	166.65

William P. Terry
Searsport Assessor

Certificate of Assessment

Title 36 MRSA 712

State of Maine

County of Waldo, ss.

I, hereby certify, that I have assessed a tax on the estate, real and personal liable to be taxed in the Municipality of Searsport for the fiscal year 01/01/2012 to 12/31/2012, at .02020 mills on the dollar, on a total taxable valuation of \$208,315,200.00

Assessments

1. County Tax	\$ 450,930.31
2. Municipal Appropriation	1,380,960.00
3. TIF Financing Plan Amount	90,641.44
4. School/Education Appropriation	2,598,658.32
5. Overlay (Not to exceed 5% of Net Assessment)	4,709.09
6. Total Assessments	\$4,525,899.16

Deductions

7. State Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$ 210,500.00
8. Homestead Reimbursement	71,591.83
9. BETE Reimbursement	35,840.29
10. Other revenue	-0-
11. Total Deductions	\$ 317,932.12
12. Net Assessment for Commitment	\$4,207,967.04

Lists of all the same I have committed to James Gillway, Tax Collector of said Municipality, with warrants in due form of law for collecting and paying the same to James Gillway, Municipal Treasurer of said Municipality, or the successor in office, on or before such date, or dates, as provided by legal vote on the Municipality and warrants received pursuant to the laws of the State of Maine.

Given under my hand this July 11, 2012

William P. Terry, CMA
Searsport Assessor

Searsport Police Department

ANNUAL REPORT

2012

Mission: To lead the citizens of the Town of Searsport in a partnership dedicated to the protection of life and property, and the advancement of peace, prosperity, and community. The genesis of our efforts is the values of respect, fairness, and integrity.

Staff

Chief Richard LaHaye Jr.	Reserve Officer Arthur Smith
Officer Dennis Remillard	Reserve Officer Darrin Moody
Officer Eric Marcel	Reserve Officer Eric Bonney
Reserve Officer Brian Lunt	Reserve Officer Michael Larrivee
Reserve Officer Ryan Nickerson	Reserve Officer Merl Reed
Animal Control	Shellfish Warden

<u>Activity Type</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>% Change</u>
<u>Total Incidents</u>	<u>2190</u>	<u>2269</u>	<u>2470</u>	+ 9%
Animal Complaint	137	199	121	-61%
Arrests	62	45	78	+73%
Assaults	25	10	17	+70%
Burglaries	18	25	10	-40%
Criminal Mischief	44	17	29	+71%
Disturbance	95	171	242	+42%
Harassment	61	84	64	-24%
Motor Vehicle Accident	108	144	72	-50%
Thefts	68	42	57	+38%
Threatening	16	15	22	+47%
Traffic Stops	884	845	1056	+25%
Trespassing	11	9	14	+56%
Radar Details	61	57	134	+135%
Suspicious	108	128	130	+.02%

Dear Citizens of Searsport,

The past year was a very busy one for the Searsport Police Department. Calls for service (2470) were up by 9% over the previous year. While most crimes against property and people were up in 2012, motor vehicle accidents were down and traffic stops were up 25% from the previous year. There was also a decrease in harassment calls and an increase in domestic disturbance calls. Drug and alcohol use was a factor in many of the complaints ranging from traffic enforcement, accidents, assaults and domestic violence.

A focus for the Department in 2012 was strengthening relationships with the community. The Department focused on the School Zone area of Mortland Road as there was a need for more enforcement related to speed within the school zone. Officer James S. Gillway Jr. attended the Maine Criminal Justice Academy beginning in January and graduated in May 2012. Officer James Gillway Jr. left the Searsport Police Department in November 2012 for a job with the Ellsworth Police Department. Officer Dennis Remillard is slated to attend the Academy in August 2013.

The Police Department received authority to purchase Tasers and those were purchased in the beginning of 2012. All Officers went through the training and are now certified to carry the Taser. Training this year included New Law Updates, Firearms Training, Introduction to Gangs, Sovereign Citizens, Ethics, Blood Borne Pathogens, Fire Extinguisher and Workplace Harassment.

The 2007 Ford Crown Victoria has 126700 miles on it as the new year begins. As the 2012 year closed, the 2009 Ford Crown Victoria cruiser has 49700 miles. The 1985 pick up truck has been turned over to the Town Highway Department for use to plow side roads and the public safety building. The 2010 Ford Crown Victoria cruiser has 94000 miles on it as the new year begins.

In closing, as I begin my sixth year as your Police Chief, I am pleased and honored to continue to serve you. The Department will continue to take a proactive approach to serving the needs of the community in 2013. I will strive to make the Searsport Police Department one the Citizens of Searsport can be proud of.

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard H. Lattage Jr.
Chief of Police

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT 2012

The Searsport Fire Department had a busy year for 2012 which had 109 alarms. These alarms included 6 structures, 42 motor vehicle accidents, 1 cooking fire, 4 chimney, 2 car fires, 3 grass fire, 3 EMT assistance, 3 search for people, 1 trapped by power lines, 3 gas leaks or spills, 1 carbon monoxide, 1 electrical, 2 service call, 4 water problems, 2 smoke removal, 1 police assistance, 1 stand by at station, 5 cancel in route, 4 false alarms, 4 system malfunction, 9 smoke detectors, 6 wind storm downed trees or lines. The department is teaming up with the Waldo County Fire Fighters Association to provide training such as interior attack, high angle rescue, ice water rescue, propane fires, incident command training, as well as others that are added throughout the year which gives us the opportunity to train with others within Waldo County. We also do in house training once a month. We have 33 members on the department, all trained and willing to go when they are needed. Our response time is an average of five minutes and I'm very proud to be able to say that for a voluntary fire department. In closing I would like to remind everyone to replace their batteries in their smoke and carbon dioxide detectors and test them monthly. We have batteries FREE of charge at the public safety building, please call 548-2302 or stop by.

Respectfully,

Chief Andy Webster

Searsport Ambulance Service

P. O. Box 499
Searsport, Maine 04974

Office Tel: 548-2302

24 Hr. Emergency: 911
338-2040

The Searsport Ambulance Service is proud to serve the citizens of the Town of Searsport. We continue to work towards improving ourselves through continued training and the acquisition of cutting edge equipment. In 2013, Searsport EMS has been approved as one of 12 pilot project sites for Community Paramedicine which we believe will have a positive impact on community wellness, reduce healthcare costs and be tailored specifically for Searsport's needs. In combining the EMS Director and Town Health Warden positions, a new focus on overall community health will emerge.

Our call volume was in line with last year, and we continue to receive revenues that return to the general fund. In 2012 the Searsport Ambulance Service responded to 477 calls for service.

Our ambulances include a 2005 Ford Type three and a 2011 Mercedes Type two. The 2005 Ford has developed a slowly progressing head gasket leak which is requiring us to retire the unit two years ahead of schedule. Rather than spend \$167K for a new unit, I am proposing placing a new van chassis under the original patient compartment section (a process called remounting) and refurbishing the patient compartment. This remounting process will save more than \$80K over purchasing a new ambulance and will give us a unit that has a ten year or more lifespan.

In 2013, look for the Searsport Ambulance Service to continue to invest in training our staff, improve our capabilities through improved technology, and striving for better efficiencies in the name of good stewardship of our resources and your tax dollars.

Sincerely yours,



Cory Morse, WEMT-Paramedic,

Service Chief

Searsport Ambulance Service

Serving the People of Searsport Since 1969

SEARSPORT OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Searsport EMA organization accomplished the following work during 2012:

1. PLANNING: (about 180 hours)
 - ❖ Issued an update to the Municipal Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) (30).
 - ❖ Worked with other departments in planning response capability improvements and hazard assessments (120 Hours).
2. TRAINING/EXERCISES: (about 500 hours)
 - ❖ EMA Staff completed over 300 hours of training in incident command and emergency response functions.
 - ❖ EMA Staff participated in the planning and execution of Waldo County 2012 a HAZMAT accident/rescue exercise sponsored by the U.S. EPA, FEMA, Maine DEP, MEMA, and Waldo EMA. This exercise was conducted in Searsport and involved our first responders and exercised our EOC. (about 100 hours)
 - ❖ EMA Staff participated in Pen Bay 2012, the planning and execution of the multi-agency, multi-county aircraft crash mass casualty exercise conducted in Penobscot Bay. This exercise involved the U. S. Coast Guard, Maine State Police, Maine Marine Patrol, and emergency responders from Knox and Waldo County. About 100 hours)
3. EDUCATION AND AWARENESS PROGRAM: (180 hours)
 - ❖ Established an Emergency Management page on the town web site (20 hours)
 - ❖ Provided emergency response capability information to citizens in response to questions raised at public meetings. (about 160 hrs)
4. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION: (46 hours)
 - ❖ Obtained \$3017 for federal FY 2011 and \$3612.91 through the Local Emergency Management Preparedness Grant (EMPG) process. (About 40 hours)
 - ❖ Supported the SHIP grant application process submitted for Municipal Pier (about 6 hours)
5. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT: (82 hours)
 - ❖ Maintained a location for the municipal Emergency Operations Center (EOC).
 - ❖ Purchased and installed:
 - iPad with hazard assessment and response software to allow improved mobile response
 - Portable and mobile radios for fire/damage assessment use through statewide group buy
 - ❖ Implemented the cell phone and email portions of the Nixle hazard warning system

The Searsport Office of Emergency Management welcomes George Kerper as the EOC Public Information Officer and Gayle McKeige as Deputy Emergency Management Director. Additional Volunteers are still needed to help support EOC operations in the following areas:

- Resource Management
- Communications
- Volunteer Coordination
- Mass Care Coordination

Volunteers can contact me through the town office, at 338-1887, or at searsportema@gmail.com.

Please notify us of activities or materials that could present a hazard to emergency responders or other people in town.



Almon D. (Bud) Rivers
Emergency Management Director

Town of Searsport Code Enforcement Office Report 2013

Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new. (Albert Einstein)

If anything is certain, it is that change is certain, the world we are planning for today will not exist in this form tomorrow. (Philip Crosby)

Man has nothing to fear except fear itself. (Teddy Roosevelt)

Every year, I face one of the first tasks of the New Year and that is to produce an annual report of the goings on concerning the erection of buildings to various land use issues. It is not a task that I dislike or abhor but rather one that I tackle with vigor, wit, and yes even wisdom so as to not only keep the inhabitants of this great town informed of what has happened over the past year; but also to add in tidbits such as the above quotes. Once in every persons journey through this short time on earth we are faced with a situation that perhaps, if we could we would go around it or pass it off hoping that an easier choice might come along. Winston Churchill once said that "The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity, the optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty." For the past twelve plus months the good people of Searsport have been handed one of those situations, we must use these opportunities to put forth our best effort, be amicable toward others, and respect each other no matter the final outcome; friendships and community are for a lifetime not to be severed by a difference of opinion.

Twelve years into the new millennium and we have seen some tough decisions made, with more to come. A slow economy at best plays a large part on the building trade as well as the housing market. Yet even though things are tough or tight there are those who adapt to the times and continue on with their dreams, necessities to enlarge, and ever needed maintenance. The following is a break down of the past years building permits that have been issued; (3) Single Family Dwellings, (6) mobile homes, (1) modular home, (5) garages or additions to, (15) sheds or accessory structures, (8) additions to residential dwellings, (3) additions to barns, (1) camp, (2) greenhouses, (16) remodeling jobs and (1) commercial building. I want to add a reminder to those in the building business, progress or future planning, that the State of Maine has adopted a building code. As of yet the Town of Searsport is not yet enforcing the MUBEC Code and is not required to under the State Guidelines of the MUBEC yet it is the building code adopted by the State of Maine and one should take caution and do their homework concerning the requirements from their lender and or perspective insurance agent prior to breaking ground. It is a lot easier to fix a problem before it happens than to go back and bring building projects into compliance. I am more than willing to work with you in the planning stages of you project and if I don't have the answers I will work with you as much as possible to get you on the right track. In bringing this report to an end again I want to say how much I appreciate working with each one that I rub shoulders with each day, the cooperation that is shared when we rely on each other for help in serving you the public, and also for the Planning Board whom I have the opportunity of working closely with in all kinds of projects. The Town of Searsport is blessed with a great staff both paid and volunteers who perform their duties on a small return for services rendered; I implore you to take into account the many hours that are given as a public service to the citizens of Searsport by these dedicated individuals when their names are brought up during conversations they serve their town as well as yours.

Respectfully Submitted

Randolph B. Hall
Code Enforcement Officer

2012 Planning Board Report

2012 will be remembered as the year of “The Tank”! From amendments to the site plan review ordinance, a proposed moratorium, to a seemingly endless public hearing; the DCP Midstream application for a liquid propane facility at Mack Point has occupied most of the time. Hopefully, we will have a decision this spring. This is a process with defined steps, requirements and standards involving four local ordinances generating thousands of pages of paper for a very large project. We appreciate the large public participation and assistance helping us gather facts and compile information I regard to the many performance standards and impacts.

In the meantime your planning board approved one ten lot subdivision along Black Road North, two Shoreland zoning applications, fifteen site plan review applications and denied one. Upon completion of the DCP Midstream decision, we plan a general overhaul of the site plan review ordinance and a review of all the land use ordinances with respect to consistency among and between the various ordinances.

Our regular monthly meetings are the second Monday evening of each month at Union Hall and the public is always welcome.

Respectfully,

Bruce Probert

J. Bruce Probert, Chair

2012 Comprehensive Planning Committee

Members: Mark Bradstreet, Aaron Fethke, Wayne Hamilton and Doug Norman

Advisors: Anne Crimando, Don Garrold and Bruce Probert

The only meeting of this committee this year was the joint meeting with the Planning Board for the annual review of the Land Use Ordinance. No changes were proposed.

Your Comprehensive Planning Committee will schedule a meeting if any resident would like to propose a change to the Land Use Ordinance, or changes to zoning districts. Any changes may only be voted on at the Annual Town Meeting.

We welcome public input and suggestions. Please contact the Town Office or any member. If anyone is interested in serving on this committee, please pick up an application at the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Bradstreet

Mark Bradstreet, Chair

TOWN OF SEARSPORT 2012 ANNUAL REPORT

2012 Shellfish Management Committee Report

Members: Jay Economy, Phyllis Rackliffe, Bob Ramsdell, Steve Tanguay, Frank Whiting, Carlton Wiggin, Stan Wood

Shellfish Warden: Searsport Police Department

As in the past the Shellfish Committee ran a monitor program checking the flats at low tide. We appreciate the willingness of the general public to talk with the clam flat monitors because it helps us gather data for our State Annual report.

As of January 1, 2013, the following number of shellfish licenses had been issued:

Resident Recreational licenses	47	@ \$20	\$ 940
Non-Resident Recreational Licenses	25	@ \$30	\$ 750
Resident Senior Recreational Licenses	24	@ \$ 0	\$ 0
Non-Resident Senior Recreational Licenses	3	@ \$ 0	\$ 0

99 of the 113 licenses allotted were issued.

Seventy-two Hour Shellfish Licenses	174	@ \$15	<u>\$2,610</u>
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Total revenue from shellfish licenses	\$4,300
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On April 28th the shellfish committee set up a clam experiment where they seeded 8,000 juvenile clams. There were four sites with 2,000 clams each. These were monitored during the summer and the netting removed in early November. We were pleased with the growth of these clams.

On May 4th, a wooden bench, built by Steve Tanguay and dedicated to Jim Engstrom, was placed at the end of the Sears Island Causeway, overlooking the clam flats. About 30 people were present and the family was most appreciative. The bench has been enjoyed by many.

During the 2012 season the shellfish committee did 14 clam harvesting demonstrations and one shoreline cleanup.

The Shellfish Committee welcomes new members. Please apply at the Searsport Town Office or call 548-6372.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Ramsdell
Committee Chairman

2012 ANNUAL HARBORMASTER'S REPORT

What a difference a year makes -- from last year's record-setting 24-hour snowfall to 2012 being one of the warmest winters in Searsport history! However, it was particularly busy for ship traffic in Searsport Harbor -- out of a 150 vessels during 2012, nearly half visited the Port of Searsport in January, February and March. In January, the 2012 Mooring Applications were distributed to the Town Hall and mailed to current mooring owners.

March 21st through the 23rd, I attended the 27th Annual Harbormaster's Conference and Advanced Training Seminar in Castine, sponsored by the Maine Harbormaster Association and the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. Once again, my fellow Harbormasters elected me to the Board of Directors of the Maine Harbormaster Association.

In May and June, floats and moorings for the 2012 season were put in the water. Searsport collected \$3,257.87 in mooring fees, dinghy fees and boat excise taxes from 23 resident and 5 non-resident mooring owners. A brand new Float #3 was completed. In addition, for the 6th year, I have donated my salary for the betterment of the municipal wharf.

As Harbormaster with several volunteers, I organized the popular and competitive row boat races that were held at the Town Dock during the Fourth of July Celebration. Thirty-two participants competed for fastest times and bragging rights in 14 different age categories. All winners received t-shirts and 1st, 2nd & 3rd places were awarded ribbons. The following weekend, 42 boats competed in the Searsport Lobster Boat Races. Along with the Ambulance team and EMT's, I provided assistance on the water and dockside to the Lobster Boat Committee and organizers, Keith & Travis Otis. Thank you to the mooring owners who donated the use of their moorings during the races.

The U.S. Coast Guard, ship pilots and various other local harbormasters requested assistance from the Searsport Harbormaster to help find missing and/or stolen boats, search & rescue, shipping lane infractions and engine breakdowns. We had good fortune with only two rescues and two cases of vandalism in 2012, down considerably from other years.

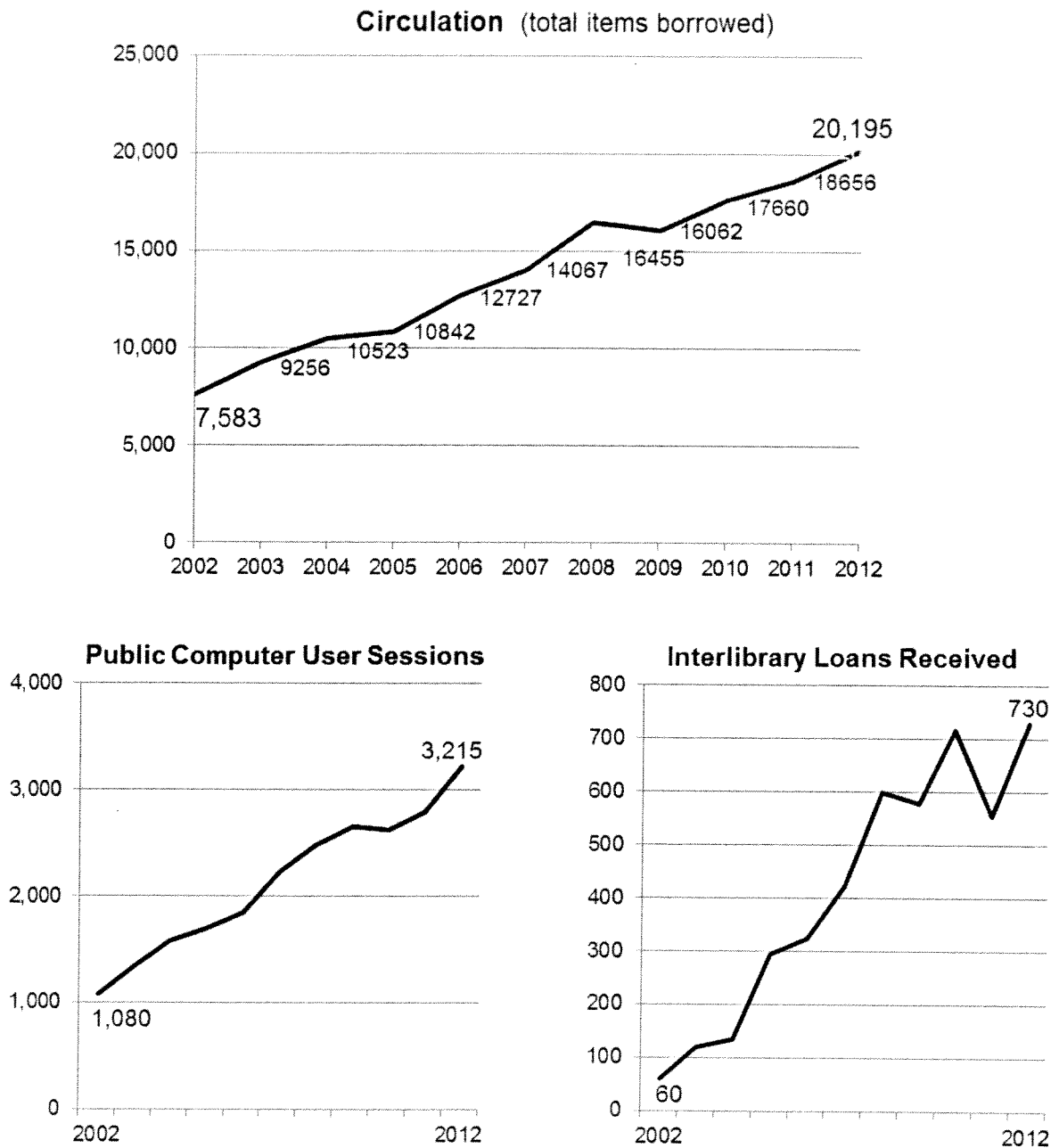
Numerous sail and powerboats (ranging in size from a 131-foot schooner to a 22' inboard/outboard motorboat) visited Searsport harbor, staying from a few hours to 3 days. Visitors from all over experienced our attractive town, its beautiful waterfront park, accessible harbor and the Penobscot Marine Museum, with its world-class exhibits of our heritage.

I wish to recognize the Town Manager and his staff; Searsport Ambulance Service; and the Fire, Police and Public Works Departments for their continued support and assistance. I would also like to express my appreciation to all who assisted me at various times throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne C. Hamilton

Carver Memorial Library Association

Library use has nearly tripled over the past 10 years



We are fortunate to have a library that is always growing and changing. 2013 is starting with change, as I retire and we welcome a new library director, Erica Irish. Thank you for allowing me to serve the community for the past ten years. It has been a pleasure.

Respectfully submitted,
Chase Colasante, Library Director

Carver Memorial Library Association - Balance Sheet 12/31/12

Assets	Cash	Checking	19,814.40	
		Petty Cash	100.00	19,914.40
	Investments	Maine Community Foundation	214,664.27	
		Joshua Curtis Fund	10,857.79	
		Richard W. Beglin Literature Fund	4,724.13	230,246.19
	Trusts	McElhiney	26,264.88	
		Nichols	129,802.11	
		Town held Trusts	7,797.61	163,864.60
	Total Assets			414,025.19
	Liabilities & Equity	Liabilities		0.00
Equity			414,025.19	
Total Liabilities and Equity			414,025.19	

Carver Memorial Library Association - Income Statement 12/31/12

Donations	General	865.00	
	Endowment Fund	500.00	
	Book Fund	100.00	1,465.00
Investments	Trusts	9,758.31	
	Maine Community Foundation	7,170.00	
	Interest income	95.48	17,023.79
Grants	Maine Community Foundation	2,300.00	2,300.00
Fundraising & Sales	Fundraising	789.96	
	Fees, Fines, Printing	1,465.16	2,255.12
Total Income			23,043.91
Less Funds to Endowment			(500.00)
Total Operating Income			22,543.91
Expenses	Books & Related Materials	10,724.81	
	Programs	1,318.25	
	Supplies & Equipment	1,278.97	
	Technology	1,814.33	
	Utilities & Maintenance	2,951.16	
	Misc.	487.74	
Total Expenses			18,575.26
Net Gain/ (Loss)			3,968.65

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

TOWN OF SEARSPORT

2012 ANNUAL REPORT

The Historic Preservation Committee meets usually the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM in the Town Office. We encourage and welcome new members who enjoy learning about, promoting and helping to protect historical and archeological aspects of the Town of Searsport

Our meetings are comprised of two parts: business and program.:

Among the business agenda items this year were approval of a sign at 37 E Main Street submitted by Jim Rose. The Town requires that signs erected on the exterior of buildings in the historic district be reviewed by the Historic Preservation Committee and then the Planning Board for appropriateness and zoning requirements

We were pleased that the historic school photograph with commentary which is on the Museum in the Streets plaque by the Ephraim Road School won the "Then and Now" contest for the cover display on the 2012 Maine Municipal Association calendar

Currently we are working on a project which would provide an opportunity for local residents to purchase, at low cost, an appropriate sign indicating the date their home was constructed. Residents and visitors enjoy walking our streets and a sign such as this can help them appreciate our rich architectural heritage. There will soon be a sample sign in the Town Office and information about how you can acquire one.

A very important ongoing project is that of gathering information on local structures, photographs, copies of documents and related materials. These are placed in a folder in the town office and eventually will be organized in such a way as to make them available for perusal by those interested in the people and houses of our town. We believe this is important for the preservation of our heritage and we encourage you to help by telling us about the history of your home and the people who have lived there. The materials make wonderful programs. We have heard fascinating stories and seen interesting pictures and moreover a wonderful part of the history of Searport. is being preserved.

The meetings are open and you are welcome to attend or to watch us on TV

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Underwood
Chair

2012 Mass Communications Committee Annual Report

This year the upstairs of Union Hall has hosted a number of Belfast Maskers presentations, performances by the Searsport Elementary School and other town groups, various town committee, and community meetings. We are fortunate to have and be able to use this facility. Anyone or group interested in renting the upstairs of Union Hall please contact James Gillway.

In 2012 we were able to purchase a Canon XF 100 camera and tripod with funds from Time-Warner. This is a professional portable camera that will allow us to record meetings and events anywhere. After the events are recorded we then convert the output file from the camera to one that is compatible with our broadcast equipment. These committee or town meetings can then be aired on channel 7 and uploaded to the town web site and community programs can be aired on channel 2.

Oomas Cookie, Remember When, Storytime, Santa Fe Bandstand, Science Quest and Bricktown are just some of the new programs we picked up in 2012 for channel 2. A complete schedule of when and what time programs are running on channel 2 is available at the town office. There is also a program guide for the day running on channel 2 30 seconds before the half hour and hour. Program guides for channel 2 and 7 also run in the Bulletin Board sections on both channel 2 and 7.

If you are out of town and want to keep up with the committee meetings or can't receive cable in your area all committee meetings are on the town web site www.searsport.maine.gov. You will also find ordinances, tax maps, cemetery maps and lot owners, and other up-to-date information on the web site.

We wish to thank the Selectmen, Town Manager and volunteers for their support of the mass communications committee, video system, and town web site.

If you are interested or know someone that is interested in hosting, recording, or helping us continue to bring community TV to Searsport call the town office at 548.6372.

Respectfully submitted,

George B. Kerper Jr.
Chair, Mass Communication Committee

2012 CEMETERY COMMITTEE REPORT

A committee meeting was held May 10, 2012 at which time the Veterans flag lists and the flags were committed to each cemetery sub-committee for installation before Memorial Day.

Bowditch – The stones have been cleaned and reset as necessary. The roof problem at the tomb has been stabilized but the repair has not been completed.

Elmwood – The stone cleaning and repair is still on going.

Evergreen – The stone cleaning and repair is completed. There are several trees in the fence line that should be removed.

Gordon – Stone cleaning and repair are scheduled for 2013.

Merithew – The stone cleaning and repair is complete. The land acquisition to the road has been accomplished and the site has been cleared with cuttings removed. This work was done by Tony Merithew the former landowner.

Mount Hope - This private cemetery is discussing the stone cleaning process with the Town Manager and will be considering this effort.

Village – Stone cleaning and repair are scheduled for 2013. The southwest section (Range Two) has been kept mowed. Planning for future landscaping in this area is being discussed.

Revision of the Cemetery Ordinance to accommodate the mandatory use of liners/vaults for remains as an environmental/ health protection measure is in process. Cremaains will not be affected.

A committee meeting was held October 11, 2012 for a final discussion of the year's events. These events have been enumerated above.

We have instituted a Cemetery Newsletter as a communication tool between our semi-annual meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Bowditch - Mary Brann, Colleen York; Elmwood & Evergreen – Faith and Don Garrold; Gordon – Alberta Ames; Merithew – Jeff and Lourdes Brazier, Milford Grant, Cindy Gibbs, Jackie Howard; Mount Hope – Deloris Merithew, Lois Jackson, Village – Noreen Fernands, Ray Smith.

2012 GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM REPORT

All GIS (Land and Geographic Information) data are being added to the Town Website at www.searsport.maine.gov. These data are in Adobe pdf format and may be read, searched and printed using Adobe Reader.

The 2012 revisions to the town tax maps were made and these data were placed on the town website.

A complete style and content revision was made of the one private and six town cemeteries. This revision of maps and databases includes more information about persons buried in each cemetery. These data were placed on the town website. New this year is an "all cemetery occupants list" This is a reduced data file that is intended to locate the person and the cemetery. More information on the person can then be obtained from the individual cemetery database.

The annual road surface condition survey was completed and the results will be reported to the Town Manager and the Public Works Supervisor. A wall map will be prepared and hung on the wall in Town Office depicting by color code the condition of the road segments (32 miles).

Record of the 2012 road maintenance, ie, surface and drainage actions will be used to revise the Town Road Book. This information is provided to the Public Works Supervisor with a copy in the Town Office for use by the Town Manager.

The Town Road Atlas has been updated and a new set of copies will be made available to the Departments that use this information, ie, Fire, Police and Ambulance.

The Historic Preservation Committee and Searsport GIS are working on a continuing project to create a historic record on each significant building in town. The records are indexed and on file at the Town Office. Persons wanting to add their building to the collection are invited to contact the Historic Preservation Committee.

All town fire hydrants have been located by GPS coordinates and the maps/listings published for review by the Water District.

The continued support for these information sets by the town administration is essential to the operation of the system. The public is well served both by the enabled infrastructure management and the availability of knowledge about our town.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Garrold, GIS provider

**Mosman Memorial Park Association
P.O. Box 265 Searsport, Maine 04974**

January 2012

To the Citizens of Searsport:

Mosman Memorial Park remains a meeting place for people of all ages. Whether it's family reunions church group picnics, school outings, class reunions, weddings, or craft fairs and antique car shows associated with town-wide celebrations such as the Lobster Boat Races and Fling Into Fall, they come to enjoy the amenities and beautiful scenery of this gem on the Searsport waterfront. Frequent users include Searsport Recreation Department, RSU #20 Afterschool Program, a young mothers group, a home-school group, and an exercise group. Senior citizens and group home folks often use the park and find it very handicapped accessible, including the porta-potty near the parking lot. As you can see, we have a park that is in many ways the center of life in Searsport for people of all ages.

Since 1963, the Association and the Town of Searsport have worked cooperatively to make the park a facility that all can enjoy. The Town Meeting annually appropriates funds to help maintain the park, and the town maintenance crew and Searsport Water District work diligently to keep the park beautiful and functioning. For all this support, the Mosman Memorial Park Association is grateful.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob McGee, President



Searsport Water District 2012

In 2012 the District finished the remainder of its water main replacement project along Route 1 between Searsport and Stockton Springs. Completion of this project eliminated a significant portion of the 1909 era 8" water main that provided water to the Searsport area. Once the old main was removed from service we found that the pumping rates were significantly reduced. The location, depth and lack of isolation valves on the old main made it extremely difficult to pinpoint leaks along that line. In some areas where Route 1 was rebuilt in the 1950's the old main was nearly 11 feet deep. At present a 0.8 mile section of old 8" main still exists along Route 1 and will need to be replaced within the next few years. Once this has been completed the entire main line from Reservoir 2 in Stockton Springs to Station Avenue in Searsport will consist of new 12" D.I. water main and will have the ability to provide up to, and in some cases more than, 2,200 gallons per minute for fire protection demands.

As part of the 2011/2012 water main replacement project the District also replaced its Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) equipment. This system provides all operational data to the main office and within each of the District's pumping facilities. It also provides emergency information to the District personnel via an automated paging system in the event of an emergency and/or failure.

During the spring of 2012 the District also purchased 200 new water meters with radio read technology along with the necessary software and meter reading equipment. These meters are replacing our oldest pulse read meters and are now being installed by our service technicians. During the course of replacing these meters it may be necessary for some residential customers to install new valves and/or backflow preventers as required by the Maine Department of Health and Human Services Drinking Water Program. The District's service technicians may be able to install these items during the time of the meter replacement. If we are able to do this during the meter install we will charge the customer for materials only, thus eliminating the cost for a plumber to do the install at a later date. All customers receiving the new radio read meters will be switched over to a monthly billing cycle rather than a quarterly billing cycle. This will provide the customer with a smaller monthly bill rather than a larger quarterly bill and will also make the customer aware of any potential leaks sooner than later, thus keeping their water bill to a minimum.

The District has also hired a forester to oversee wood harvesting operations within the District's 300 +/- acres of watershed protection areas. In 2012 the District harvested approximately 140 of those acres on the Searsport side of Half Moon Pond. This program is necessary to maintain a healthy forest throughout the District's watershed.

After being in service for nearly 18 years it was necessary for the District to take its only well off-line to be cleaned during the last week of November. This project took 1 week to complete and during this time it was necessary for the District to purchase water from the Belfast Water District. Although most areas were not affected during this operation, some areas did experience a reduction in water pressure. A new pump, which the District purchased as an emergency

replacement nearly 8 years ago, was installed at the same time as the old pump had significant signs of wear.

In 2012, the District pumped a total of 111,768,000 gallons of water. Water purchased from Belfast during the well cleaning project totaled 3,441,832 gallons. Total system usage during 2012 totaled 115,209,832 gallons. This amount is down 28,177,168 gallons from 2011. The decrease in system demand was largely due to the elimination of leaks along the old Route 1 water main. Our daily average was 314,781 gallons per day or 219 gallons per minute. This amount is 49.45% of the total daily safe yield based on a safe yield of 636,500 gallons per day.

In closing, I once again would like to thank the entire staff and Trustees for their continued effort to provide you, our customer, with some of the best water in the State of Maine. We are here to serve you and always have at least one employee on call 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Should you need emergency assistance after hours please call the emergency number listed below. You can also find us on the web at www.searsportwater.org. This site, which is continuously being updated, contains a wide variety of information including water rates, water quality, contractor specification sheets and contact information.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome two (2) new employees to our staff. Kyle Anne Benson started in July as our new Office Assistant and Tim Wilson started in October as our new Service Technician. Kyle and Tim have already proved to be great assets to our team and we are thrilled to have them aboard.

Should you have any questions or concerns you can simply call us at our office between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. or email us at info@searsportwater.org. You can also go to our website at www.searsportwater.org and click the @ symbol on the upper right hand corner of our website and use our web based email from that location. Thanks again for your support.

Sincerely,

Herb Kronholm

Herb Kronholm, Superintendent
Searsport Water District

Trustees

William Shorey, Chairman
Bruce Mills, Treasurer
Larry Clark, Clerk

Employees

Brenda Corbin, Office Mgr.
Kyle Anne Benson, Office Asst.
R. Bruce Page, Foreman
Timothy Wilson, Service Tech.

Phone: (207) 548-2910 Fax: (207) 548-6719 email: info@searsportwater.org

Business hours are Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

In case of an emergency during non business hours please call the
Waldo County Dispatch Center @ 1-800-660-3398

WASTEWATER 2012 ANNUAL REPORT

2012 was an odd year in regards to operating the wastewater treatment plant. We didn't have the typical weather scenario that we are accustomed to dealing with, and we didn't have the typical breakdowns and operational situations that we normally see within our collection system.

The first quarter of the year saw change from paper reporting to electronic reporting with the MDEP. It has worked out well after a couple of initial blips. Bob and I were both certified once again as licensed treatment plant operators in February. We did a number of winter maintenance tasks including a dismantling and cleaning of the belt filter press. March was an odd month because it didn't rain or snow much and was actually 80 degrees on the 21st. Instead of the typical wet weather operations that we see in March, we had no snow pack or pouring rain to deal with. Instead, there was a whole different situation that was brewing.

Maine Coast Crematory began their alkaline hydrolysis process in April. This process involves disposing of a body using chemicals with high pH. The chemicals dissolve the flesh and are then passed through the drain and into our public sewer for disposal. A meeting was set up to discuss this with MDEP and the owner of the crematory. After months of adjusting various stages of the process, they were able to reduce the pH to levels acceptable to our sewer use ordinance. We now have our first industrial user of the wastewater system. Springtime also included the usual occurrence of new users hooking into the collection system.

We had the whole effluent toxicity test run in July to complete the testing for year 4 of our 5 year license cycle. 2013 will involve even more testing as priority pollutants will require quarterly testing instead of one annual analysis. As part of our capital improvement plan, we sent out a sludge pump for a total rebuild job to keep the plant running as designed. We also replaced a 20 year old motor drive that had thousands of working hours on it.

The mechanical bar screen finally wore out in October after 25 years of faithful service. This will need some costly repairs in 2013. In addition, the service vehicle for the wastewater department is no longer able to pass inspection. These two items are indicative of having a 25 year old plant operation. There will be some major decisions to make in regards to the future of the wastewater system in 2013. If you have any questions about the wastewater plant, please call us at 548- 6320. Billing questions can be answered by Polly Abbott at 548 – 6372.

Respectfully Submitted

Howard M. Clark

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT #20

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Citizens of RSU #20,

Challenging economic times continue for everyone, yet, despite all this, RSU #20 looks for opportunities to improve the educational opportunities for all students. RSU #20 accomplishes this through implementing changes that meet students' varied learning styles, challenging students at all levels and providing educational opportunities so that students will be prepared for their future endeavors. All schools in the RSU are moving forward with new and exciting educational changes. Elementary schools are using Common Core Standards with new curriculum in Mathematics and are introducing Singapore Math as a supplement to the Every Day Math Program. We have implemented Common Core Standards in English/Language Arts and Mathematics, revised our K-5 Social Studies curriculum and are in the early stages of aligning the Science curriculum to the next generation Science Standards which are soon to be released. In grades six through nine, our students are engaged in an inquiry based Science curriculum, in collaboration with the University of Maine Physical Science Partnership; a project that has been recognized by the National Science Foundation. Belfast Area High School is working with Great Schools Partnership to develop a Proficiency Based diploma. Searsport District High School is moving towards a more Student Centered education experience and will implement Expeditionary Learning in 2013-2014. Additionally, "Early College" opportunities are being made available for high school students. These are only a few of numerous educational changes that are occurring in RSU #20.

Today, as in the past, RSU #20 continues to face financial challenges. The financial challenges are caused by many variables such as a slow recovering economy resulting in a lack of incoming State revenues, which leads to reduction in school funding. RSU #20 is committed to dealing with the revenue reduction and financial issues in a way that least impacts the education of students. Students' education must be the main focus and consideration in any and all financial decisions. With this said, educational changes will be necessary. These changes could include the reduction of services, elimination or reduction in offerings, larger class sizes, and increased taxes.

Financial decisions yet to be made will impact education in RSU #20 directly or indirectly. In the recent education curtailment RSU #20 subsidy was decreased over \$207,000. This is not the final educational reduction or cost to RSU #20. The Governor's budget proposal to completely eliminate the distribution to municipal revenue sharing indirectly impacts education. The proposed K-12 Education funding is less than "flat funding", as it requires the school system to fund 50% of the annual "normal cost" of teachers' retirement premium. Additionally, there are changes in the Essential Programs and Services formula that would reduce school subsidy. These actions and others have significant impact on how education will be provided for our students.

I urge taxpayers and citizens of RSU #20 to stay informed on the school budget, what is happening in their municipalities, and what is occurring in Augusta. Set aside some time to speak with your representative on the Board of Directors. RSU #20 Board of Directors, administration, teachers and educational support staff are committed to maintaining the highest quality of education for all RSU #20 students

Thank you for your continued educational support for all students in RSU #20. Working together, it is possible to overcome any financial hurdles RSU #20 may encounter.

Sincerely,

Brian M. Carpenter

Brian M. Carpenter
Superintendent of Schools, RSU #20

2012 UNCOLLECTED REAL ESTATE TAXES

ADAMS, KENNETH & DOROTHY	557.52	CARTER FARM REALTY TRUST	854.46
ADAMS, MARY JANE, RICHARD E.	692.86	CARTER FARM REALTY TRUST	650.44
ADAMS,		CARTER FARM REALTY TRUST	1,082.72
ANNIS, GARY & MARY	903.95	CATALDO, BARBARA R.	503.89
ANNIS, LEON & ALLYSON PLACE	680.74	* CIOFOLO, CATHERINE A. & THOMAS	1,977.25
ARSENAULT, ALLEN	488.84	A.	
ASHEY, LELAND & LINDA	1,958.39	CIOFOLO, THOMAS A. & CATHERINE	1,340.34
ASHEY, VICKIE	83.83	A.	
* BAILEY, WILLIAM H. & MARLENE F.	507.02	* CLARK, PATRICIA	1,246.29
BAKER, GLENN & GEORGIANA	2,629.96	* CLARK, RUBY (DEVISEES)	3,616.81
BAKER, SANDRA MARTENS	3,331.99	* CLARK, RUBY (DEVISEES)	434.30
BEAN, LEROY	488.84	CLARK, RUBY (DEVISEES)	2,559.34
BEAN, LEROY	937.85	CLARK, SHANNON	493.89
BEAN, RALPH L. & JOLANA L.	58.58	CLEMENTS, APRIL DAWN	592.87
BERGERON, JESSICA &	307.78	CONNOR, CAROLINE M.	1,334.21
BLAKE, SCOTT & GLEASON (HEIRS)	70.70	CONNOR, RAYLENE L.	3.03
BORMET, DOROTHY	141.40	CONNOR, ROBERT & LAURA	293.91
BOUCHARD, INC.	2,276.54	CONNORS, DAVID E. & LINDA J.	1,730.13
BOWDEN, JENNIFER LYNN	766.59	COOK, TERRY & VERONICA	102.01
BRADSTREET, CALVIN	27.27	CORMIER, JONATHAN & DAWN MARIE	934.25
BRADSTREET, DELVIN	265.63	* CORNELL, ALBERTA G.	972.63
BRAGDON, DALE	574.69	CROSBY, ROBERT &	1,625.09
BRAGDON, MARIE	380.77	CROSS, GERALD R., JR. &	1,447.33
BRAGDON, STEPHEN E.	730.23	CHRISTOPHER E.	
BRAZIER, JEFFREY	1,223.11	CROSSMAN, ATHENA	2,063.43
BRAZIER, JEFFREY & LOURDES	1,048.38	CURTIS, KENNETH & NANETTE	416.12
BROWER, HOWARD S., TRUSTEE	288.86	CURTIS, LARRY	488.84
BROWER, HOWARD S., TRUSTEE	294.92	DAKIN, SHEILA J.	82.82
BROWER, HOWARD S., TRUSTEE	292.90	DAKIN, SHEILA J. & JASON A.	2,223.01
BROWER, HOWARD S., TRUSTEE	286.84	* DICKEY, JEFFERY	720.13
BROWER, HOWARD S., TRUSTEE	290.88	DICKEY, JEFFREY A.	298.96
BROWER, HOWARD S., TRUSTEE	296.94	DICKEY, MARY LOU & STANLEY	431.27
BROWER, HOWARD S., TRUSTEE	284.82	DOLIBER, KELLY W. & IRENE M.	301.99
BROWER, HOWARD S., TRUSTEE	288.86	DOWN EAST CREDIT UNION	1,878.60
BROWN, BETHANY JO	2,417.34	DOWN EAST CREDIT UNION	296.94
* BROWN, JEAN	136.09	DUDLEY, ESTHER(HEIRS)	1,523.08
* BRUNK, ANDREW S. & PAMELA W.	1,080.26	DYER, CATHY	444.40
BUCKLIN, PAMELA & STEVEN	350.47	EASTMAN, SHELDON	88.88
BUTTLE, KENNETH F., TRUSTEE	2,361.61	ELLIS, EDWARD R. & BRENDA J.	466.62
BUYERS, BRIAN H. & BEVERLY K.	2,504.80	ELWELL, DAVID M.	2,032.12
CALLAHAN, MICHAEL R. & ARLENE M	2,499.75	ELWELL, GARY	507.02
CALLAWAY, JENNY D.	1,770.53	ENTRUST FREEDOM, LLC	26.29
CARKNER, SELMA LIVING TRUST	3,331.99	ESTES, DAVID E. &	2,400.77
CARR, BARBARA	891.83	* FAWCETT, FREDERICK JOHN, 3RD &	9.56
CARROLL, DOROTHY A.	699.93	FEURTADO, INEZ L.	2,978.99

2012 UNCOLLECTED REAL ESTATE TAXES

FLOOD, KERI E. &	1,217.05	HUSTUS, JEFFREY	1,530.15
FRANCIS, JIM & DAISY	305.02	* HUSTUS, NATHAN	177.61
* FRASER, ANTHONY & DOROTHY	809.37	HUSTUS, PAUL	584.79
FRENCH, DANIEL C.	466.62	HUTCHINS, FREDERICK D.& RHONDA F.	679.73
FRENCH, GERALD M., JR. & BETH L.	1,881.63	* JOHNSON, ROMAINE	55.00
GARVIN, SPENCER G.	671.65	JOHNSON, SANDRA	471.67
* GHENT, BRADLEY J.	134.33	KADO, INC.	2,910.82
* GIGLIO, MARCIA (DEWISEES)	2,500.76	KEATING, CATHY L. &	4,077.37
GILMORE, DIANE & HILLARD	1,610.95	KENDALL, BENJAMN, JR. & ELIZABETH	1,247.35
GILMORE, DIANE & HILLARD	698.92	KENDALL, PATRICIA	931.22
GIROUX, LEONARD	151.50	KENISTON, JESSE	722.40
GOGUEN, MICHAEL	297.95	KENNEY, ALAN K.	1,672.56
GOLDBERG, NATHAN	2,571.46	KENNEY, STEPHEN A.	21.21
GOTT, STEPHEN A.	775.47	* KERPER, GEORGE B.,JR.	1,058.51
GRANT, KENNETH H. & JANET A.	404.00	KILBY, LAURA K.	934.25
GRANT, KENNETH H. & JANET A.	1,058.48	KINNEY, MAX R.	372.69
GRANT, KIRK & KRISTIE	1,030.20	KISSELOFF, RUTH ANN	2,479.85
GRAY, AARON WYATT & TAMMY	3,031.01	KNOX, DANIEL J.W.	443.39
GREENLEAF, BRYANT	125.24	KRAVITZ, JUDITH	937.28
* GRENDALL, WILFRED	84.89	KRIENKE, NAIOME E.	962.53
GRINNELL, ARTHUR E., JR. &	1,636.20	LABOMBARDE, WAYNE &	1,336.23
KIMBERLY S.		LANDIS, DANIELLE	210.08
GROSS, GRANVILLE(DEWISEES)	242.40	LANE, BEVERLY(DEWISEES)	198.97
GROVE, HAROLD BRIAN	892.84	LANPHER, ROYCE &	1,172.61
GROVE, HAROLD BRIAN	228.26	LARRABEE, CHARLES & NANCY	1,334.21
GROVE, HAROLD BRIAN	1,347.34	LARRABEE, DOROTHY & LESLIE	400.97
HALL, CLAUDIA E.	651.45	LEALI, ROBERT(HEIRS)	458.54
HALL, ELLEETTA L. & DAVID W.	1,376.63	LEEMAN, JEROME	396.93
* HAMILTON, CONNIE & LARRY	466.62	LESLIE, MICHAEL ET AL	2,696.70
HARRIMAN, SANDRA K.	1,013.03	LITTLEFIELD, SCOTT A. & BRENDA A.	2,707.81
HARRIMAN, TODD & BRANDYJO	227.25	LITTLEFIELD, SHARON E. & NATHAN E.	607.01
HARVEY, JAMES & ELIZABETH	450.46	LLOYD, MICHAEL	1,653.37
HARVEY, MARILYN	582.77	LOCKE, ROBIN	282.80
HASHEM, TIMOTHY	921.12	LOCKE, ROBIN G. & RICHARD H.	406.02
HECHT, KATHERINE C.	849.41	LOUGHRAN, CHRISTOPHER J.	17.34
HERSOM, DAVID G. II &	1,073.63	LOUNDER, ERIC C. & RUTH I.	534.29
HERSOM, HEATHER	449.45	LOVELY PROPERTIES, LLC	1,403.90
HI VISTAS, LLC	1,038.28	LOVELY PROPERTIES, LLC	1,872.54
HIGGINS, DONNA L. & SHANON L. &	1,153.42	LOWE, ROBERT & DORIS	2,724.45
HIGGINS, DONNA L. & SHANON L. &	505.00	MAHONEY, SHAWN T. & ELLEN	1,862.52
HMC HOSPITALITY, LLC	4,271.45	MARRINER, DARRIN T.	2,100.80
HOOLEY, PAUL	5,185.13	MARTIN, BEVERLY B.	1,655.39
HOPKINS, SCOTT & SARAH	2,148.27	* MARTIN, JOSEPH	793.45
HOWARD, NORMA	561.92		
HUSTUS, DALE, JR.	703.97		

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MATTHEWS, DANIEL	1,376.63	NICKERSON, ANNA	851.43
* MATTHEWS, RANDY(HEIRS)	769.62	NICKERSON, FRANCIS J.	1,429.15
MCGLAUF LIN, DANIEL J. &	3,281.77	NICKERSON, MARK E.	274.72
MCGOWAN, JOHN	1,992.73	NICKERSON, RUTH ANN	1,316.03
MCGRATH, JOHN F., TRUSTEE	242.40	NICKERSON, SARAH	236.34
MCINTIRE, REBECCA	2,844.85	NICKERSON, SARAH	1,897.79
* MCKEEN, SANDRA	632.26	NICKERSON, SARAH R.	739.32
MCKEIGE, GAYLE K.	2,043.23	* NIELSEN, CHRISTIAN J.	740.33
MCKINNEY, LAWRENCE A. & RUTH	859.51	NIELSEN, RICHARD & DONNA	1,281.69
MCLANE, SHAWN & ARDRIANNA	498.94	NIELSEN, RICHARD D.	202.00
MCLAUGHLIN, JACK, JR. &	437.33	NOYES, LOIS M.	899.91
MCLAUGHLIN, SCOTT A. & CARMEN C	2,112.92	O'BRIEN, DENNIS C.	176.75
MCLAUGHLIN, SCOTT A. & CARMEN C	2,124.03	OBRIEN, VIRGIL	843.35
MEHUREN, JERRY & RENEE	793.86	O'DONNELL, JEWEL E. & TIMOTHY D.	1,784.67
* MELLITZ, EDWARD B. &	1,142.93	OEDER, ELAINE	940.75
MELNICK, MIRISSA	224.22	OLSON, JANE	1,449.35
MERRY, BRITTANY L.	498.94	OTIS, ARLENE B.(HEIRS)	1,125.14
MERRY, DENNIS W.	698.92	PAGE, DONALD	150.46
MERRY, DENNIS W.	369.66	PAGE, JUDITH	657.52
MERRY, TINA L.	505.00	PATTERSON, WILLIAM & HELEN	1,521.06
MICKALOWSKI, SUSAN	721.14	PEAK, DARLENE	2,063.43
MILIANO, MICHAEL E.	1,811.94	PEASLEY, BRANDY M. &	1,849.31
MILLER, MARY	61.05	PERRY, JOSEPH E., JR.	1,777.60
MILLER, PHYLLIS V.	644.38	PIKE, FREDERICK E.	1,202.91
MILLER, PHYLLIS V.	718.11	PLANTATION III	753.46
MILLETTE, PHILIP J., JR.	1,123.12	PLANTATION III	715.08
* MILLIKEN, MICHELLE L. &	651.45	PLANTATION III	187.86
MONTREAL, MAINE & ATLANTIC	70.70	PLUMMER, JANIE A. & JOSEPH H.	5,779.22
RAILWAY, LTD.		POMEROY, AUDREY S.	471.67
MONTREAL, MAINE & ATLANTIC	1,367.54	POMEROY, AUDREY S.	260.58
RAILWAY, LTD.		POMEROY, ELLERY &	419.85
MONTREAL, MAINE & ATLANTIC	3,320.88	POMEROY, HUGH A., JR. &	565.68
RAILWAY, LTD.		POMEROY, HUGH A., JR. & LINDA F.	919.10
MOODY, ANDREA	518.13	POMEROY, LINDA	1,350.37
MOREAU, SAXON L.A.	169.66	POMEROY, LINDA	513.08
MORIN, STEPHEN C.& KATHY D.	611.05	POMEROY, LINDA	688.82
MORRISON-LEIGH, MARGARET J. &	2,225.03	POMEROY, SHERYL	1,718.01
MOULTON, DARREN	177.76	POMEROY, VICKY L.	104.03
MOULTON, KEVIN	600.13	PRISCO, SUSAN	9,112.50
MOULTON, MICHAEL SCOTT	183.82	PLYE, CYRIL B., SR. & LINDA A.	196.95
* MOULTON, PEARL	114.13	RAINEY, JOHN P.	715.08
MOULTON, RONALD I., JR.	347.44	REED, WENDY	676.70
MOULTON, STEPHEN K., JR.	536.31	REMILLARD, CHERYL	1,734.17
MUNRO, RICHARD & PRISCILLA	128.27	RESH, DONALD H., JR.	607.01
MUNSTER, REBECCA	2,360.37	RESNIK, MICHAEL D.	3,331.99

2012 UNCOLLECTED REAL ESTATE TAXES

REYNOLDS, DIANE E. & ADAM	1,461.47	SMITH, BARBARA	1,170.59
RHODES, RANDY	744.37	SMITH, BRYANNA	3.16
RICHARDS, DONALD M. & PATRICIA M.	1,015.05	* SMITH, DAVID(HEIRS)	1,284.72
RICHMOND, ALAN L.	1,680.64	SMITH, DOUGLAS & GLORIA	9.75
RINES, BARBARA	1,449.35	SMITH, GLORIA B. & DOUGLAS C.	29.68
RIPLEY, TERRY & LISA	938.29	SMITH, GLORIA M.	318.15
RIVERS, JOSHUA JAMES & DANIEL S.	1,290.78	SMITH, MERRILL	2,589.64
ROBBINS & POMEROY LAND DEVELOPMENT, INC.	404.00	SMITH, RICHARD & IRENE	965.56
ROBBINS, BRENDA	1,969.50	SNODGRASS, SCOTT	586.81
ROBBINS, CINDY VIRGINIA	669.63	SPROUT, JOANNE	1,382.69
ROBBINS, SHANNON LYNN	361.58	ST. CLAIR, DAVID W. & SANDRA L.	723.16
ROBERTS, GARY & MARY	899.91	STANHOPE, AMBER H. & WAYNE A.	275.00
ROBERTSON, DOROTHY(DEVISEES)	1,869.51	STANLEY, NORMAN, JR.	1,342.29
ROBERTSON, DOROTHY(DEVISEES)	721.14	STEAGALL, CINDY MARIE	2,000.00
ROBERTSON, JANE L. &	307.04	STONE, DONALD	193.92
ROBERTSON, ROGER & KAREN	600.95	STONE, DONALD	3,981.42
ROBICHAUD, KRISTOPHER D.	1,141.30	STRICKLAND, KENNETH A., JR. & KATHLEEN	322.95
ROMAN, EVELYN	542.37	SYLVESTER, JOSHUA D. & CINDY A.	760.53
* RUNKEL, RICHARD & KAELYN	462.52	TABER, PETER	2,194.73
RUSSELL, GILMAN R.	1,246.34	TAGUE, JANIS C.	475.71
RUSSELL, GILMAN R.	175.74	TAHA, PAULA	727.20
RUSSELL, GILMAN R.	838.30	TALGO, GREG	388.85
RYAN, KENNETH W., JR.	1,052.42	TAUNGATUA, SIONE	490.86
SAIDAK, MICHELLE	1,653.37	TAYLOR, LESLIE M.	6,266.04
SANBORN-GRAY, LISA C. &	4,643.98	THOMAS, ANTHONY L. & DEBORAH J.	200.35
SANTOS, NESTOR & ERLINDA A.	647.41	THOMAS, TAMMY L.	1,905.87
SAWYER, IRENE	180.79	THOMPSON, MARCIA & RETHEL M., II	1,625.09
SCHWEIKERT, DAVID L.	218.16	TREAT, JOSHUA, V & KATHLEEN W.	791.84
SEAMANS, LUANN ET AL	1,986.67	TRISCH, GENE A. & HARRIET J.	452.48
SEAVEY, JOHN L.	368.65	TUPPER, STEPHEN A. & GENEVA K.	3,521.87
SEEKINS, BONNIE	907.99	UPHAM, EDWARD D. & JUDIE P.	5,176.05
SEEKINS, EARL	304.01	VAN DYKE, ROBERT & KATHREEN	48.48
SEEKINS, EDITH	804.97	VAUGHAN, WILLIAM	882.74
SEEKINS, EDITH	640.34	VILES, LAURIE A.	560.55
SEEKINS, LATISHA A.	669.63	* WARD, CLARENCE & KAREN	699.93
SEEKINS, LEROY, JR.	210.08	WARD, CLARENCE, III & JAMIE	1,285.73
SEEKINS, SHAWN	641.35	WARD, THURLOW & FAYE	400.97
SEEKINS, VICKI	177.76	WARMAN, PHILIP A.	439.35
* SHERER, STEPHEN B.	141.40	WARREN, DAVID W.	1,007.98
* SHERER, STEPHEN B.	58.58	WARREN, DAVID W.	96.96
* SHERER, STEPHEN B.	187.86	WARREN, GLORIA	429.25
* SHUTE, KEVIN & ASHLEY	230.28	WARREN, JOSEPH C.	1,318.05
SIMMONS, LISA J. &	1,280.58	WEAVER, RICKY A. &	692.60
		WELLS, HOWARD G., III & MELISSA	1,360.47

2012 UNCOLLECTED REAL ESTATE TAXES

WENZ, WILLIAM & JENNIFER	1,291.79
WEST, ELIZABETH(HEIRS)	1,125.14
* WEYMOUTH, RUTH	159.78
WHITCOMB, RODNEY M. & LISA J.	2,011.92
WHITLOCK, LUCILLE	29.29
WILBUR, TERRY A. & MICHELLE L.	1,516.01
WILDER, CHERYL L.	1,785.34
WILEY, CHARLES, JR. & PAULINE	421.17
WILLIAMS, ROSE	274.72
WILSON, LISA M. & TIMOTHY C.	1,554.71
WORKMAN, LAWRENCE & JUANITA	568.63
* WRIGHT, HUGH K.,JR. & PEGGY BREWER	941.32
YOUNG, ROBERT (HEIRS)	181.80
YOUNG, ROBERT (HEIRS)	686.80
YOUNG, ROBERT (HEIRS)	1,218.06
ZITO, FRANCIS & CYNTHIA	394.82
 TOTAL	 383,359.98

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2011 UNCOLLECTED REAL ESTATE TAXES

ADAMS, GEORGE S., JR., RICHARD	183.37	KILBY, LAURA K.	1,013.74
ADAMS,		KINNEY, MAX R.	440.59
ADAMS, KENNETH & DOROTHY	813.32	LANE, BEVERLY(DEVISEES)	417.91
ARSENAULT, ALLEN	543.68	LITTLEFIELD, SHARON E. & NATHAN	685.50
ASHEY, LELAND & LINDA	2,059.01	E.	
BORMET, DOROTHY	176.90	MARTINEAU, ROBERT D.	916.84
BOUCHARD, INC.	2,385.51	MARTINEAU, ROBERT D.	708.61
BRADSTREET, DELVIN	342.82	MARTINEAU, ROBERT D.	1,101.95
BUYERS, BRIAN H. & BEVERLY K.	2,601.23	MATTHEWS, DANIEL	105.95
CALLAWAY, JENNY D.	733.37	MCGRATH, JOHN F., TRUSTEE	292.15
CARROLL, DOROTHY A.	774.58	MCKINNEY, LARRY & RUTH	207.19
CLEMENTS, APRIL DAWN	671.06	MCKINNEY, LAWRENCE A. & RUTH	852.93
CONNORS, DAVID E. & LINDA J.	1,826.04	MCLAUGHLIN, SCOTT A. & CARMEN	2,201.26
COOK, TERRY & VERONICA	164.33	G.	
CROSBY, ROBERT &	1,724.58	MCLAUGHLIN, SCOTT A. & CARMEN	1,980.41
CURTIS, LARRY	543.68	MERRY, DENNIS W.	845.02
DOWN EAST CREDIT UNION	1,967.86	MERRY, DENNIS W.	422.04
DOWN EAST CREDIT UNION	347.82	MERRY, TINA L.	571.67
DUDLEY, ESTHER	1,444.63	MICKALOWSKI, SUSAN	780.77
EASTMAN, SHELDON	135.46	MILLER, PHYLLIS V.	708.17
ELWELL, GARY	579.48	MILLER, PHYLLIS V.	798.89
ESTES, DAVID E. &	2,516.26	MILLETTE, PHILIP J., JR.	1,196.79
FRENCH, DANIEL C.	343.80	MOULTON, RONALD I., JR.	399.36
* GIGLIO, MARCIA (DEVISEES)	2,602.85	MOULTON, STEPHEN K., JR.	607.59
GOLDBERG, NATHAN	2,675.01	NICKERSON, FRANCIS J. &	766.06
GRANT, KENNETH & JANET	1,378.22	NICKERSON, RUTH ANN	1,403.39
GRANT, KIRK	143.28	NICKERSON, SARAH	285.97
GROVE, HAROLD BRIAN	961.76	* NOYES, LOIS M.	166.98
GROVE, HAROLD BRIAN	283.47	O'BRIEN, DENNIS C.	240.61
GROVE, HAROLD BRIAN	1,425.64	OBRIEN, VIRGIL	1,320.93
HALL, CLAUDIA E.	17.10	OLSON, JANE	1,539.46
HALL, ELLEETTA L. & DAVID W.	1,470.99	PATTERSON, WILLIAM & HELEN	608.30
HARRIMAN, RALPH & SANDRA	1,094.14	PEAK, DARLENE	2,170.56
HARVEY, JAMES & ELIZABETH	504.50	* PEASLEY, BRANDY M. &	1,947.68
HECHT, KATHERINE C.	927.15	* POMEROY, SHERYL	1,825.17
HERSOM, DAVID G. II &	1,161.74	PYLE, CYRIL B., SR. & LINDA A.	261.23
HERSOM, HEATHER	524.69	RESH, DONALD H., JR.	679.75
HIGGINS, DONNA L.	1,227.72	RICHMOND, ALAN L.	1,760.06
HUSTUS, JEFFREY	1,254.06	* RIPLEY, TERRY & LISA	1,023.61
HUSTUS, PAUL	564.44	ROBBINS & POMEROY LAND DEV.,	457.09
HUTCHINS, FREDERICK D.& RHONI	753.97	INC.	
F.		ROBBINS, CINDY VIRGINIA	721.62
JOHNSON, SANDRA	553.11	ROBBINS, SHANNON LYNN	419.54
KADO, INC.	2,833.76	ROBERTS, GARY & MARY	984.44
KENNEY, STEPHEN A.	81.86	ROBERTSON, ROGER & KAREN	673.56

2011 UNCOLLECTED REAL ESTATE TAXES

RUSSELL, GILMAN R.	1,316.80
RYAN, KENNETH W., JR.	1,118.88
* SAIDAK, MICHELLE	1,265.63
SAVAGE, ALBERT	564.29
SAWYER, IRENE	244.73
SCHWEIKERT, DAVID L.	267.41
SEAMANS, LUANN ET AL	1,012.47
SEAVEY, JOHN L.	436.47
SEEKINS, EDITH	881.79
SEEKINS, EDITH	698.30
SMITH, RICHARD & IRENE	1,035.98
STEVENS, GERALD P., JR.	156.08
STONE, DONALD	4,108.31
TALGO, GREG	457.09
TAYLOR, LESLIE M.	6,451.57
THOMAS, TAMMY L.	1,995.90
THOMPSON, MARCIA & RETHEL M.	1,724.58
II	
VAUGHAN, WENDY	865.30
VILES, LAURIE A.	632.33
WARREN, DAVID W.	1,079.28
WARREN, DAVID W.	143.71
WARREN, GLORIA	504.07
WARREN, JOSEPH C.	298.90
WELLS, HOWARD G., III & MELISSA	1,603.38
WENZ, WILLIAM & JENNIFER	1,384.40
WEST, ELIZABETH(HEIRS)	1,193.10
WHITLOCK, LUCILLE	90.11
WORKMAN, LAWRENCE & JUANITA	646.32
YOUNG, ROBERT (HEIRS)	230.30
YOUNG, ROBERT (HEIRS)	545.72
YOUNG, ROBERT (HEIRS)	1,287.94
TOTAL	116,070.73

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2012 UNCOLLECTED
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

AUSTIN, GREG & ANGELA	85.85
* BANKS, WILLIAM & RAYLENE	32.32
CARKNER, SELMA	14.14
DR. MICHAEL A. HOUSMAN	294.92
* GALLANT, CYNTHIA	62.62
GRAY, LISA & WILLIAM	121.20
KULLA, PATRICIA & FRANK	137.36
LEAF FINANCIAL CORP.	148.47
LEMIEUX, DONALD	30.30
LLOYD, MICHAEL	62.62
LOWE, ROBERT & DORIS	16.16
MERRITHEW, JOHN	24.24
SEEKINS, ROBERT	64.64
SMITH, MERRILL	133.32
SOMMER, TIMOTHY	64.64
TAYLOR, LESLIE M.	34.34
UPHAM, EDWARD & JUDIE	139.38
WALDO COUNTY CRAFT CO-OP	24.24
WESTERN UNION FIN. SERVICES, INC.	10.10
WILCZAK, JUDITH A.	30.30
 TOTAL	 1,531.16

2011 UNCOLLECTED
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

ASHEY, LELAND	33.66
AUSTIN, GREG & ANGELA	97.02
DR. MICHAEL A. HOUSMAN	289.08
KISAMITAKIS, DINO	176.22
MERRITHEW, JOHN	23.76
UPHAM, EDWARD & JUDIE	136.62
WESTERN UNION FIN. SERVICES, INC.	10.89
 TOTAL	 767.25

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2012 Motor Vehicle Transactions

Agriculture	18
Antique Vehicles	52
Animal Welfare	19
Black Bear Plates	31
Breast Cancer	31
Combination Plates	3
Commercial Vehicles	220
Conservation Commercial	2
Conservation Plates	83
Disabled Veteran Plates	3
Farm	4
Firefighter Plates	10
Handicapped Plates	19
Lobster Plates	44
Moped	4
Motor Homes (Recreational Vehicles)	11
Motorcycles	108
Municipal	2
Passenger Plates (Chickadee)	1,853
Special Equipment	4
Support Wildlife	28
Tractor/Special Mobile Equipment	3
Trailers	318
Troop Support	11
University of Maine Plates	8
Veteran Plates	70

Registration fees	\$96,542.50
Sales Tax	\$27,269.73
Title Fees	8,194.00
Excise Tax	\$346,189.63
Agent Fees	\$9,496.00
Total	\$487,691.86

2012 Dog Licenses

Males/Females (Capable of Reproducing)	58
Spayed/Neutered	277
State Fees Collected	\$1411.00

2012 Hunting/Fishing Licenses:**Resident**

Apprentice	1
Archery	3
Bear	4
Complimentary	0
Coyote Night Hunt	2
Expanded Archery, Antlered & Antlerless	5
Hunt/Fish or Combo	40
Junior	11
Migratory Waterfowl	4
Muzzleloading	16
Saltwater Registry	24
Spring Turkey	2
3 Day Fishing	6
Crossbow	1
Small Game	1
1 Day	1
Fish	86
Hunt	52
Serviceman Resident Hunt/Fish	2
Superpack	1

2012 Hunting/Fishing Licenses:**Non Resident**

Season Fishing	2
7 Day Fishing	1
15 Day	1
Big Game Hunt	1

Total: **267**

Registered Voters:

Republican	707
Democrat	558
Unenrolled	890
Green/Independent	90
Total	2245

Shellfish Licenses:

There are 100 Shellfish Licenses allowed every year, beginning June 1st.

They are a first come, first serve basis. Included in this total are

20 non-resident licenses.

There are an unlimited amount of 72 Hour

Licenses. Fees are as follows:

Resident (over 10 & under 65)	\$15.00
Non Resident (any age)	\$30.00
72 Hour (any age)	\$15.00

MARRIAGES

Jan	15	Nathanial B. Hussey to Jessie Prior
	21	Caleb R. Blake to Kimberly L. Rumney
May	5	Gregory C. Shaw to Linda M. McDevitt
July	6	Jacob T. Graffam-Connors to Maria E. Riley
	7	Normand R. Bosse II to Angela L. Bagley
	8	Evan M. Iannoli to Alani M. Maziarz
	14	Harry E. Patterson III to Nandria R. Zito
	15	Ronald A Cook II to Tracey E. Cushman
	28	Shawn L. MacLeod to Jennifer L. Bowden
August	15	Sean D. Cookson to Cassandra Connor
	25	Paul E. Mackey to Michaela S. Strickland
September	9	Michael A. Friel to Debra L. Leonard
	15	James A. Moody to Julie E. Mercer
	15	Daniel E. Matthews to Michele L. Bires
	29	Charles A. Hunt to Lori L. Whitney



BIRTHS 2012 22 TOTAL BIRTHS

DEATHS

Jan	10	Rachel H Taliaferro	88
	27	Preston J. Grendell Jr	50
	30	David L. Abbey	60
Feb	2	Randy L. Matthews	53
March	3	Richard G. Bessel	97
	14	Theodosia Petryczka	87
	15	Elsie S. Weaver	76
May	13	Malcolm Wood	87
	23	Kevin O'Brien	50
	24	Jeanette Clark	86
	27	Kelley O'Brien	36
June	1	Joseph, Petrocelli	84
	9	Harold Leach	76
	9	Joseph Martin	80
	24	Kenneth Marshall	59
	28	Ronald Ashey	66
July	9	Robert Roberts	65
	10	Larry Tripp	68
August	7	Tanner Morse	4
	8	Elizabeth Connor	78
	8	Jacqueline Sawyer	83
	10	Stephen Mihovan	89
October	24	Rita Collins	74
November	15	Leroy Moody	86
	17	Wesley Smith	89
	29	William Barker	81
December	12	Lewis Seekins	76
	18	Mary Reynolds	92
	20	Walter Wood	72
	21	Signe Cole	60

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Selectmen
Town of Searsport
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Searsport, Maine 04974

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Searsport, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Searsport's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Searsport as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on Schedule A-1 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Searsport's financial statements as a whole. The introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, and statistical section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying and accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole. The introductory and statistical section have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

February 1, 2013

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**REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE
AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Board of Selectmen
Town of Searsport
1 Union Street
P.O. Box 499
Searsport, Maine 04974

We have audited the financial statements of the Town of Searsport, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, and have issued our report thereon dated February 1, 2013. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in "Government Auditing Standards", issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Searsport's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Searsport's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Searsport's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Town of Searsport's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Town of Searsport's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Town of Searsport's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Searsport's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instance of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended for the information of the management, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

February 1, 2013

TOWN OF SEARSPORT

Management's Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2012

As management of the Town of Searsport, we offer readers of the Town of Searsport's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial statements of the Town of Searsport for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012. We encourage readers to consider the information presented in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in our letter of transmittal, the basic financial statements and the accompanying notes to those financial statements.

THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The financial statements presented herein include all of the activities of the Town of Searsport (the Town) using the integrated approach as prescribed by General Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34.

The Government-Wide Financial Statements present the financial picture of the Town from the economic resources measurement focus using the accrual basis of accounting. These statements include all assets of the Town, including infrastructure, as well as all liabilities, including long-term debt.

The Fund Financial Statements include statements for the governmental and fiduciary fund types. The governmental fund is the main operating fund of the Town. Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in trustee or agency capacity for others.

REPORTING THE TOWN AS A WHOLE

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information about the Town as a whole and about its activities. These statements include all assets and liabilities of the Town using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Town's net position and changes in them. Net position is the difference between assets and liabilities, which is one way to measure the Town's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases and decreases in the Town's net position is one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. Other factors to consider are changes to the Town's property tax base and the condition of the Town's infrastructure.

In the Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, normally the Town's activities would be separated into Governmental Activities and Business-Type Activities. Governmental activities include the Town's basic services including General Administration, Ambulance, Fire and Police Service, Public Works, and Planning and Development. Property tax, user fees, interest income, and state and federal grants finance these activities. Business-Type Activities include services that are financed by fees to the customer to cover all or most of the service provided. The Town has a Wastewater System.

REPORTING THE TOWN'S MOST SIGNIFICANT FUNDS

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds, not the Town as a whole. Management establishes many funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants or other money.

Governmental Funds – All of the Town's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year end. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed shorter-term view of the Town's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent on the near future to finance the Town's programs. The differences of results in the Governmental Fund Financial Statements to those in the Government-Wide financial statements are explained in reconciliation statements.

THE TOWN AS A WHOLE (GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS)

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a Town's financial position. In the case of the Town of Searsport, assets exceeded liabilities by \$10,649,438.58 at the close of fiscal year 2012. Exhibit A of the audit report has a detailed breakdown of the numbers listed below.

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities
Current and other assets	\$ 2,680,494.12	\$ 194,226.88
Capital Assets	4,558,613.97	4,059,934.87
Total Assets	<u>\$ 7,239,108.09</u>	<u>\$ 4,254,161.75</u>
Long-Term debt outstanding	\$ 22,616.76	\$ 583,495.99
Other Liabilities	123,803.22	113,915.29
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 146,419.98</u>	<u>\$ 697,411.28</u>
Net Position:		
Net invested in capital assets	\$ 4,535,997.21	\$ 3,476,438.88
Committed	1,351,830.83	34,044.11
Assigned	132,335.37	
Unassigned	1,072,524.70	46,267.48
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 7,092,688.11</u>	<u>\$ 3,556,750.47</u>

Governmental Activities

Governmental activities increased the Town of Searsport's net position by \$666,601.55. Of this amount, \$36,545.71 was due to excess of expenditures and other uses over revenue and other sources. The cost of all Governmental Activities this year was \$5,520,085.23. The Town's programs include General Government, Public Assistance, Public Works, Education, Recreation and Cultural, County Tax Assessment, Public Safety, and Unclassified. The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the Town's taxpayers by each of these functions.

	<u>Net (Expenses)</u>
General Government Activities:	
General Government	\$ (450,965.97)
Public Assistance	(3,900.09)
Public Works	(541,449.86)
Education	(2,598,658.32)
Recreation and Cultural	(82,377.30)
County Tax Assessment	(509,847.25)
Public Safety	(626,493.51)
Unclassified	579,994.20
Total General Government Activities	<u>\$(4,233,698.10)</u>
Business-Type Activities:	
Wastewater	(151,915.40)
Total Government and Business-Type Activities	<u><u>\$(4,385,613.50)</u></u>

Education accounts for approximately 52.52% of the total expenditures within the governmental funds for the Town of Searsport. County Tax Assessment accounts for approximately 10.3% and General Government accounts for 37.18% of the total budget for 2012. General Government activities created a deficit of \$36,545.71 due to taxpayer approval to use \$115,000.00 in prior year's surplus.

Property taxes are the largest revenue source for governmental activities accounting for approximately 79.93% of total revenues. Excise Tax accounted for approximately 6.95% of total revenues.

Changes in Unappropriated Surplus

Another indicator of a Town's financial health is its unappropriated surplus account, which is used to help reduce the amount of property tax revenue that needs to be raised each year and for unanticipated emergencies.

Unappropriated Surplus January 1, 2012	\$ 774,024.34
Increases:	
Operating Account Balances Lapsed	114,259.88
	<u>\$ 888,284.22</u>
Decreases:	
Appropriated at Town Meeting	115,000.00
Increase in Deferred Property Taxes	48,198.20
Unappropriated Surplus December 31, 2012	<u>\$ 725,086.02</u>

The Unappropriated surplus decreased by \$48,938.32 for fiscal year 2012 or 6.32%. The decrease was due to a loss of State Revenue Sharing and a slowing economy over the previous year and excess revenue and unexpended appropriations that were lapsed into Fund Balance. At town meeting taxpayers approved \$75,000.00 from the prior year surplus to reduce taxes. This decreased surplus the most in the current year. The ability to see any excess revenue and unexpended appropriations are signs of fiscal budgeting restraint on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and good financial management by the Town Manager and Department Heads.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Debt, considered a liability of governmental activities, did not increase for the fiscal year 2012.

The Governmental Activity Debt Summary for fiscal year 2012 is presented below:

Debt Payable prior to December 31, 2012	\$ 44,096.79
Less Debt Retired	21,480.03
Remaining Debt for 2012	<u>\$ 22,616.76</u>

CAPITAL ASSETS

The capital assets of the Town are those assets that are used in the performance of the Town's functions, including infrastructure assets. At December 31, 2012, net invested capital assets of the government activities totaled \$4,535,997.21. GASB No. 34 requires the Town to report and depreciate new infrastructure assets effective with the beginning of the current year (January 1, 2012). Infrastructure assets include roads and road related items.

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$2,000.00 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at fair market value as of the date received. Additions, improvements, and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Depreciation on capital assets is recognized in the Government-Wide Financial Statements.

In the current year the Town paved Turnpike Road and purchased a new trailer for the Public Works department. We disposed of a forklift, a pickup truck, flatbed trailer, and backhoe.

The breakdown of the Town of Searsport's Capital Assets is illustrated in Note M of the Notes to the Financial Statements.

BUDGET ANALYSIS

General Fund Budget Variances

Overall there were no significant deviations from the approved budget through good financial management throughout the fiscal year.

The tax commitment did show only slight increases in valuation in the community and the tax rate was set by the Assessor at \$20.20 per \$1,000.00 of valuation (valuation is not quite at 100% according to the State), which is unchanged from the previous year.

The Budget

The budget for fiscal year 2013 has been put together for Town Meeting on March 9, 2013. Not being passed yet there is nothing definitive to report.

As of December 31, 2012 the Town is in solid financial shape due to years of increased revenues and sound financial management by department heads and management.

THE FUTURE

In terms of fiscal responsibility and the needs of our citizens the Town is working toward more efficient delivery of the services required of our residents. The Town is continuing to work toward regionalizing efforts in order to reduce costs and maximize service, we are also looking toward economic development of our Route 1 corridor and some form of development both recreational and transportation on Sears Island to offset the tax loss when it was sold to the State of Maine in 1997. Again this year, we have reduced the operating budget for the Town. The Board of Selectmen is keeping a close eye to Augusta and the Legislature. We are watching and giving input on all bills that have a monetary impact on municipalities. We are also giving input on the State's policy of revenue sharing raids. We are well aware that this practice simply shifts taxes from the state's heavily income tax based system to the municipalities property tax based system. We have not paid enough attention to this system in the past and it has cost us.

CONTACTING THE TOWN'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to give our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors, creditors and other interested parties with a general overview of the Town's financial status and accountability of revenues and expenditures. If you have any questions about this report please contact the Treasurer at 1 Union Street, P.O. Box 499, Searsport, ME 04974, 207-548-6372, or email searsportmanager@roadrunner.com.

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2012

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The accounting policies of the Town of Searsport conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units.

1. Financial Reporting Entity

The Town of Searsport was incorporated in 1845. The Town operates under a town meeting form of government.

In evaluating the Town of Searsport as a reporting entity, management has addressed all potential component units. The primary criteria for including a component reporting entity are the exercise of financial accountability by the Town of Searsport's municipal officials.

The Town's financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). Governments are also required to follow the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued through November 30, 1989 (when applicable) that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP are used by the Town as discussed below.

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*. The Statements include the following:

1.) The financial statements now include:

- A Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the Town's overall financial position and results of operations.
- Financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all of the Town's activities, including infrastructure (roads, bridges, etc.).

2.) A change in the fund financial statements to focus on the major funds.

2. Basic Financial Statements - Government-Wide Statements

The Town's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the Town as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the Town's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as governmental. The Town's fire protection, recreation, public works, and general administrative services are classified as governmental activities.

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D):

2. Basic Financial Statements - Government-Wide Statements (Cont'd)

In the government-wide Statements of Net Position, the governmental column is presented on a consolidated basis by column, and is reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The Town's net position is reported in three parts - net invested in capital assets; assigned for other purposes; and unassigned. The Town first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide Statements of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Town's functions and business-type activities (fire, public works, administrative, etc.). The functions are also supported by general government revenues (property, certain intergovernmental revenues, fines, permits, and charges, etc.). The Statements of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, and operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function (fire, public works, etc.). Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants.

The net costs (by function or business-type activity) are normally covered by general revenue (property, intergovernmental revenues, interest income, etc.).

This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Town as an entity and the change in the Town's net position resulting from the current year's activities.

3. Basic Financial Statements - Fund Financial Statements

The financial transactions of the Town are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The following fund types are used by the Town:

a. Governmental Funds:

The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of the Town:

1. General Fund:

General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D):

3. Basic Financial Statements - Fund Financial Statements (Cont'd)

a. Governmental Funds (cont'd):

2. Fiduciary Funds:

Fiduciary Funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and therefore are not available to support Town programs. The reporting focus is on net assets and changes in net assets and is reported using accounting principles similar to proprietary funds.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds in either the governmental or business-type activities categories. Nonmajor funds by category are summarized into a single column. GASB No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of either fund category) for the determination of major funds.

The Town's fiduciary funds are presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements. Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the government, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide statements.

3. Proprietary Fund:

The Proprietary Fund is the fund used to account for all financial resources relating to the Wastewater Department. The generally accepted accounting principles applicable are those similar to businesses in the private sector.

4. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied:

a. Accrual:

Governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements and fiduciary fund financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

b. Modified Accrual:

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e. both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within the current period or within 60 days after year end. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. The exception to this general rule is that principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt, if any, is recognized when due.

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D):

5. Financial Statement Amounts

a. Cash and Cash Equivalents:

The Town has defined cash and cash equivalents to include cash on hand, demand deposits, and cash with fiscal agents. Statutes authorize the Treasurer of the Town, as directed by the municipal officers, to invest all municipal funds, including reserve and trust funds, to the extent that the terms of the instrument, order, or article creating the fund do not prohibit the investment, in financial institutions as described in Section 5706 MRSA and securities as described in Sections 5711 through 5717 MRSA.

b. Investments:

Investments, including deferred compensation and pension funds, are stated at fair value (quoted market price or the best available estimate).

c. Capital Assets:

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$1,000.00 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at fair market value as of the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	20-50 Years
Machinery and Equipment	5-10 Years
Improvements	10-20 Years
Infrastructure	10-50 Years

d. Revenues:

Substantially, all governmental fund revenues are accrued. Property taxes are billed and collected within the same period in which the taxes are levied. In applying GASB No. 33 to grant revenues the provider recognizes liabilities and expenses and the recipient recognizes receivables and revenue when the applicable eligibility requirements, including time requirements, are met. Resources transmitted before the eligibility requirements are met are reported as advances by the provider and deferred revenue by the recipient.

e. Expenditures:

Expenditures are recognized when the related fund liability is incurred.

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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D):

5. Financial Statement Amounts (Cont'd)

f. Compensated Absences:

The Town accrues accumulated unpaid vacation and sick leave and associated employee-related costs when earned (or estimated to be earned) by the employee. The noncurrent portion (the amount estimated to be used in subsequent fiscal years) for governmental funds is maintained separately and represents a reconciling item between the fund and government-wide presentations.

g. Use of Estimates:

The presentation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

h. Fund Balance:

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 54, the Town employs terminology and classifications for fund balance items as follows.

Non-spendable fund balances include amounts that are not expected to be converted to cash, or that are legally required to be maintained intact. The fund balance of the Town's Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund is classified as non-spendable.

Restricted fund balances are amounts that can be used only for specific purposes because of legislation or restrictions imposed by donors. The school budget carryforward amount and the fund balances of the Special Revenue Funds are classified as restricted.

Committed fund balances are amounts that can be used only for specific purposes because of a formal action taken by town government. Budget carryforward amounts (other than the school budget) and the fund balances in the Capital Projects Fund and the Cemetery Maintenance Fund are in this category.

Unassigned fund balance are all amounts in the General Fund that are not assigned to another category. Only the General Fund can have an unassigned fund balance.

NOTE B - CASH AND INVESTMENTS:

Cash

The Town's cash is categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the Town at year end. These Categories are defined as follows:

Category #1 - Insured or collateralized with securities held by the Town or by its agent in the Town's name.

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
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NOTE B - CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONT'D):

Category #2 - Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Town's name.

Category #3 - Uncollateralized (This includes any bank balance that is collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or by its trust department or agent but not in the Town's name.)

ACCOUNT TYPE	CARRYING AMOUNT	BANK BALANCE	CATEGORY		
			#1	#2	#3
Interest Bearing Accounts	\$ 25,683.68	\$ 25,683.68	\$ 25,683.68	\$	\$
Non-Interest Bearing Accounts	621,454.74	621,111.25	621,111.25		
	<u>\$ 647,138.42</u>	<u>\$ 646,794.93</u>	<u>\$ 646,794.93</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>

Investments

The Town's investments are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the Town at year end. These categories are defined as follows:

Category #1 - Investments that are insured or registered, or securities held by the Town or its agent in the Town's name.

Category #2 - Uninsured and unregistered investments with securities held by the Counterparty's trust department or agent in the Town's name.

Category #3 - Uninsured and unregistered investments with securities held by the Counterparty, or by its trust department or agent but not in the Town's name.

INVESTMENT TYPE	CARRYING AMOUNT	FAIR VALUE	CATEGORY		
			#1	#2	#3
Money Market	\$ 223,615.50	\$ 223,615.50	\$ 223,615.50	\$	\$
Treasury Bonds	1,803,700.64	1,897,369.90	1,897,369.90		
	<u>\$ 2,027,316.14</u>	<u>\$ 2,120,985.40</u>	<u>\$ 2,120,985.40</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>

NOTE C - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:

Accounts Receivable consist of the following:

State of Maine - General Assistance	\$ 349.25
State of Maine - Homestead Reimbursement	17,927.00
State of Maine - Septic Grant	15,075.00
Ambulance Fees	34,675.00
Miscellaneous	39,120.25
Wastewater Department	119,745.36
	<u>\$ 226,891.86</u>

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NOTE D - GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT:

The following is a summary of note and bond transactions of the Town of Searsport for the year ended December 31, 2012:

	BALANCE 1/1/12	ADDITIONS	REDUCTIONS	BALANCE 12/31/12
General Fund:				
Government Capital Corp.	\$ 44,096.79	\$	\$ 21,480.03	\$ 22,616.76
United States Department of Agriculture - Sewer Loan	441,221.66		11,515.55	429,706.11
United States Department of Agriculture - Sewer Loan	157,699.64		3,909.76	153,789.88
	<u>\$ 643,018.09</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 36,905.34</u>	<u>\$ 606,112.75</u>

Long-Term Debt as of December 31, 2012 is as follows:

General Fund:

Government Capital Corp.

This note is for 5 years with annual payments of \$23,813.64. Interest at a rate of 2.700% is payable annually.

\$ 22,616.76

United States Department of Agriculture - Sewer Loan

This note is for 30 years with annual payments of \$30,819.00. Interest at a rate of 4.375% is payable annually.

429,706.11

United States Department of Agriculture - Sewer Loan

This note is for 30 years with annual payments of \$10,612.00. Interest at a rate of 4.25% is payable annually.

153,789.88

\$ 606,112.75

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2012

NOTE D - GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT (CONT'D):

The annual requirements to amortize notes and bonds payable as of December 31, 2012 follows:

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	TOTAL
2013	\$ 38,706.76	\$ 26,537.88	\$ 65,244.64
2014	16,790.00	24,641.00	41,431.00
2015	17,518.00	23,913.00	41,431.00
2016	18,309.00	23,152.00	41,461.00
2017	19,073.00	22,358.00	41,431.00
2018-2022	108,537.00	98,618.00	207,155.00
2023-2027	134,247.00	72,908.00	207,155.00
2028-2032	166,050.00	41,105.00	207,155.00
2033-2037	86,881.99	6,336.00	93,217.99
	<u>\$ 606,112.75</u>	<u>\$ 339,568.88</u>	<u>\$ 945,681.63</u>

NOTE E - GENERAL SHORT-TERM DEBT:

The Town of Searsport obtained a Tax Anticipation Note on March 9, 2012 for \$1,200,000.00 due in full on December 31, 2012. Interest is at a rate of .98% based on a 30/360-day year. The note was paid off on October 19, 2012.

NOTE F - GENERAL FUND BUDGET:

The Town operates on a net budget as compared with a gross budget. All revenues are not estimated, but are credited to the particular operating account. Certain revenues are dedicated for particular purposes by vote of the townspeople at the annual town meeting or at special town meetings.

At the annual town meeting, held in March of each year, the townspeople vote on various articles on which amounts for appropriations have been recommended by the Board of Selectmen and/or the Budget Committee.

NOTE G - FUND BALANCE DESIGNATED FOR SUBSEQUENT YEARS' EXPENDITURE:

Historically, the townspeople vote to carry certain departmental unexpended balances forward to the following year for expenditure. This is usually in lieu of additional appropriations in any particular account.

Miscellaneous	\$ 17,228.76
Special Revenue Accounts	<u>115,106.61</u>
	<u>\$132,335.37</u>

NOTE H - DEFERRED REVENUE:

Deferred Revenue consists of the following:

Prepaid 2013 Taxes	<u>\$ 2,430.89</u>
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TOWN OF SEARSPORT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2012

NOTE I - EXPENDITURES IN EXCESS OF APPROPRIATIONS:

During the year expenditures exceeded total revenue and appropriations in the following general fund categories:

FUNCTION	REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION	EXPENDITURES	VARIANCE
Revenue Sharing	\$ 202,051.75	\$ 210,500.00	\$ (8,448.25)
Abatements & Supplemental Taxes	\$ 166.65	\$ 3,076.68	\$ (2,910.03)
Interest	\$ 18,460.02	\$ 22,610.00	\$ (4,149.98)
BETE	\$ 35,840.00	\$ 35,840.29	\$ (.29)
State Highway Funds	\$ 48,324.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ (11,676.00)
Recreation	\$ 26,442.29	\$ 27,604.29	\$ (1,162.00)

Historically, the Town has not appropriated funds for the abatements, but rather funds the expenditure through other unappropriated revenues or unappropriated surplus. The overdraft in Revenue Sharing, Interest, BETE, State Highway Funds, and Recreation was due to revenues not meeting budgeted expectations.

NOTE J - REVENUE RECOGNITION - PROPERTY TAXES:

The Town's property tax for the current year was levied July 11, 2012 on the assessed value listed as of April 1, 2012 for all taxable real and personal property located in the town. Taxes were due on September 2, 2012 with interest at 5.0% per annum or part thereof commencing October 9, 2012. Liens are filed on any real property where taxes remain unpaid between eight and twelve months after the levy date.

The National Council on Governmental Accounting (N.C.G.A.) Interpretation No. 3 requires that property tax revenue be recognized only to the extent it will be collected within 60 days following the year end. The deferred tax revenue shown on the balance sheet represents property taxes not expected to be collected within 60 days after the year end.

Property taxes are recognized when they become available. Available includes those taxes expected to be collected within 60 days after year end as stated above. Delinquent taxes are considered fully collectible and therefore no allowance for uncollectible taxes is provided.

NOTE K - INTEREST COST INCURRED:

During the current year, the Town incurred interest costs totaling \$33,198.45 which was charged as an expense to various operating accounts.

NOTE L - RETIREMENT PLAN:

The Town of Searsport is a participant in the Maine Public Employees Retirement System Consolidated Plan for Participating Local Districts. Employees under the Plan are required to contribute 6.5% of their salary to the System. The employer contributions are 6.7% of the covered salaries plus or minus the Initial Un-pooled Un-funded Actuarial Liability (IUUAL). The IUUAL was determined based on June 30, 2011 actuarial data, was amortized over 15 years, and resulted in a monthly credit of \$7,716.00 for the year ended December 31, 2012.

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
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NOTE L - RETIREMENT PLAN (CONT'D):

The benefit provisions and all other requirements are established by state statute. Employees are eligible for normal retirement benefits upon attaining age sixty. Special retirement benefits may be granted after 20-25 years of creditable service. Regular retirement allowance payable for life will be calculated at a fraction of average final compensation multiplied by years of membership and credited service. Special retirement benefits allow for one-half compensation. The System also allows for early, disability, and occupational disability retirement benefits, as well as ordinary death and accidental death benefits and group insurance benefits. Employees, terminating prior to ten years of service, will be refunded in a lump sum all employee contributions plus interest. The following disclosures reflect the assets and liabilities of the consolidated plan, and not those of the Participating Local District itself.

Based on the most recent annual actuarial valuation, June 30, 2012, the actuarial liabilities of the Consolidated Plan are as follows:

A. FASB ASC Topic N. 960 Basis

1. Present Value of Benefits Accrued and Vested to Date	
a. Members Currently Receiving Payments	\$ 1,222,093,662.00
b. Vested Terminated and Inactive Members	67,902,714.00
c. Active Members	861,068,523.00
d. Total PVAB	<u>\$ 2,151,064,899.00</u>
2. Assets at Market Value	2,033,951,477.00
3. Unfunded Present Value of Accrued Benefits, But Not Less Than Zero	<u>\$ 117,113,422.00</u>
4. Ratio of Assets to Value of Benefits (2)/(1)(d)	95%

B. GASB No. 25 Basis

1. Actuarial Liabilities	
a. Members Currently Receiving Payments	\$ 1,222,093,662.00
b. Vested Deferred and Inactive Status Members	67,902,714.00
c. Active Members	1,115,711,864.00
d. Total	<u>\$ 2,405,708,240.00</u>
2. Actuarial Value of Assets	2,136,653,347.00
3. Unfunded Actuarial Liability	<u>\$ 269,054,893.00</u>
4. Ratio of Actuarial Value of Assets to Actuarial Liability (2)/(1)(d)	89%

The System issues a financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the plans. That report may be obtained by writing to the Maine Public Employees Retirement System, Two Central Plaza, Augusta, Maine 04333-0046 or by calling 1-800-451-9800.

NOTE M - RISK MANAGEMENT:

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. All significant losses are covered by commercial insurance. There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2012

NOTE N - PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:

The following is a summary of changes in fixed assets at December 31, 2012:

	BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2012	ADDITIONS	DISPOSALS	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2012
Land and Improvements	\$ 943,073.51	\$	\$	\$ 943,073.51
Buildings	5,942,605.22	18,175.00		5,960,780.22
Equipment	886,843.26	21,269.00	(48,060.00)	860,052.26
Motor Vehicles	1,686,844.51		(196,167.00)	1,490,677.51
Infrastructure	4,265,791.34	153,942.00	(105,600.00)	4,314,133.34
Wastewater Treatment	4,722,705.92			4,722,705.92
	<u>\$ 18,447,863.76</u>	<u>\$ 193,386.00</u>	<u>\$ (349,827.00)</u>	<u>\$ 18,291,422.76</u>
Accumulated Depreciation	(9,450,325.10)	(560,848.65)	338,299.83	(9,672,873.92)
Net Property, Plant, and Equipment	<u>\$ 8,997,538.66</u>	<u>\$ (367,462.65)</u>	<u>\$ (11,527.17)</u>	<u>\$ 8,618,548.84</u>

Depreciation expense for the period totaled \$560,848.65. Of that amount, \$16,455.27 was for Administration, \$256,130.81 was for Public Works, \$101,404.86 was for Public Safety, \$4,177.70 was for the Transfer Facility, \$3,716.54 was for Recreation and Cultural, and \$178,963.47 was for Wastewater.

NOTE O - OVERLAPPING DEBT:

The Town of Searsport is situated in Waldo County and is therefore subject to annual assessment of its proportional share of county expenses. There is no long-term debt outstanding in Waldo County, for which the Town of Searsport would be proportionally responsible in the event the County defaulted.

The Town of Searsport is a participant in Regional School Unit 20 (RSU #20) and is subject to annual assessment of its proportional share of school expenses. Long-term debt outstanding in RSU #20 for which the Town of Searsport would be proportionally responsible in the event the school defaulted is approximately \$14,574,585.00 at June 30, 2012. The Town of Searsport's share would be approximately \$1,244,306.00.

NOTE P - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES:

Due To and Due From Other Funds consist of the following:

Due From General Fund To Trust Funds	\$ 2,188.18
Due From Wastewater to General Fund	<u>111,208.19</u>
	<u>\$113,396.37</u>

NOTE Q - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:

Management has reviewed events subsequent to December 31, 2012 and has determined that there are no events through February 1, 2013 requiring disclosure.

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	2012 TOTAL	2011 TOTAL
ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS:				
Cash (Note B)	\$ 621,454.74	\$ -	\$ 621,454.74	\$ 1,143,662.46
Accounts Receivable (Note C)	107,146.50	119,745.36	226,891.86	177,724.11
Taxes Receivable	409,541.14		409,541.14	369,049.44
Tax Liens	153,147.92		153,147.92	129,184.24
Tax Acquired Property	2,295.00		2,295.00	2,295.00
Investments	1,275,700.63	74,481.52	1,350,182.15	73,019.09
Due From Other Funds	111,208.19		111,208.19	90,952.91
Total Current Assets	<u>\$ 2,680,494.12</u>	<u>\$ 194,226.88</u>	<u>\$ 2,874,721.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,985,887.25</u>
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT (NOTE N):				
Land and Improvements	\$ 888,490.51	\$ 54,583.00	\$ 943,073.51	\$ 943,073.51
Buildings	2,659,766.95	3,301,013.27	5,960,780.22	5,942,605.22
Equipment	731,429.86	128,622.40	860,052.26	886,843.26
Motor Vehicles	1,490,677.51		1,490,677.51	1,686,844.51
Infrastructure	4,314,133.34		4,314,133.34	4,265,791.34
Wastewater Treatment		4,722,705.92	4,722,705.92	4,722,705.92
Total Property, Plant, and Equipment	<u>\$ 10,084,498.17</u>	<u>\$ 8,206,924.59</u>	<u>\$ 18,291,422.76</u>	<u>\$ 18,447,863.76</u>
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>5,525,884.20</u>	<u>4,146,989.72</u>	<u>9,672,873.92</u>	<u>9,450,325.10</u>
Net Property, Plant, and Equipment	<u>\$ 4,558,613.97</u>	<u>\$ 4,059,934.87</u>	<u>\$ 8,618,548.84</u>	<u>\$ 8,997,538.66</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 7,239,108.09</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,254,161.75</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 11,493,269.84</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 10,983,425.91</u></u>
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION				
CURRENT LIABILITIES:				
Bonds Payable (Note D)	\$ 22,616.76	\$ 16,090.00	\$ 38,706.76	\$ 36,900.03
Accounts Payable - Trade	14,734.91		14,734.91	9,744.83
Due To Other Funds	2,188.18	111,208.19	113,396.37	92,325.51
Accrued Interest		2,707.10	2,707.10	2,778.69
Accrued Wages	104,449.24		104,449.24	94,333.66
Deferred Tax Revenue (Note H)	2,430.89		2,430.89	7,934.13
Total Current Liabilities	<u>\$ 146,419.98</u>	<u>\$ 130,005.29</u>	<u>\$ 276,425.27</u>	<u>\$ 244,016.85</u>
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:				
Bonds Payable - Net of Current Portion (Note D)		567,405.99	567,405.99	606,118.06
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 146,419.98</u>	<u>\$ 697,411.28</u>	<u>\$ 843,831.26</u>	<u>\$ 850,134.91</u>
NET POSITION:				
Net Invested in Capital Assets	\$ 4,535,997.21	\$ 3,476,438.88	\$ 8,012,436.09	\$ 8,354,520.57
Committed for Capital Projects	1,351,830.83	34,044.11	1,385,874.94	597,190.08
Assigned for Subsequent Year's Expenditure	132,335.37		132,335.37	63,555.23
Unassigned	1,072,524.70	46,267.48	1,118,792.18	1,118,025.12
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 7,092,688.11</u>	<u>\$ 3,556,750.47</u>	<u>\$ 10,649,438.58</u>	<u>\$ 10,133,291.00</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Position	<u><u>\$ 7,239,108.09</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,254,161.75</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 11,493,269.84</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 10,983,425.91</u></u>

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TOWN OF SEARSPORT
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	EXPENSES	PROGRAM REVENUES			NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE AND CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		
		CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	2012 TOTAL	2011 TOTAL
Primary Government:							
Governmental Activities:							
General Government	\$ 617,196.71	\$ 166,230.74	\$ -	\$ (450,965.97)	\$ -	\$ (450,965.97)	\$ (478,192.95)
Public Assistance	6,270.38		2,370.29	(3,900.09)		(3,900.09)	(11,317.96)
Public Works	597,961.44		56,511.58	(541,449.86)		(541,449.86)	(649,044.96)
Education	2,598,658.32			(2,598,658.32)		(2,598,658.32)	(2,592,773.40)
Recreation and Cultural	93,857.30	11,480.00		(82,377.30)		(82,377.30)	(74,461.39)
County Tax Assessment	509,847.25			(509,847.25)		(509,847.25)	(461,370.80)
Public Safety	862,176.94		235,683.43	(626,493.51)		(626,493.51)	(456,529.43)
Unclassified	234,116.89	814,111.09		579,994.20		579,994.20	(70,437.13)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 5,520,085.23	\$ 991,821.83	\$ 294,565.30	\$ (4,233,698.10)	\$ -	\$ (4,233,698.10)	\$ (4,794,128.02)
Business-Type Activities:							
Wastewater	422,227.94	270,312.54			(151,915.40)	(151,915.40)	(196,578.83)
Total Primary Government	\$ 5,942,313.17	\$ 1,262,134.37	\$ 294,565.30	\$ (4,233,698.10)	\$ (151,915.40)	\$ (4,385,613.50)	\$ (4,990,706.85)

General Revenues:

Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$ 4,205,057.01	\$ -	\$ 4,205,057.01	\$ 4,147,558.49
Homestead Reimbursement	71,592.46		71,592.46	64,535.00
Excise Taxes	361,619.61		361,619.61	340,966.65
Intergovernmental	237,891.75		237,891.75	252,228.65
Interest and Investment Earnings	29,923.99	1,462.43	31,386.42	32,182.32
Loss on Sale of Equipment	(5,786.17)		(5,786.17)	(21,500.00)
Total General Revenues	\$ 4,900,298.65	\$ 1,462.43	\$ 4,901,761.08	\$ 4,815,971.11
Change in Net Position	\$ 666,600.55	\$ (150,452.97)	\$ 516,147.58	\$ (174,735.74)
Net Position, January 1	6,426,087.56	3,707,203.44	10,133,291.00	10,308,026.74
Net Position, December 31	\$ 7,092,688.11	\$ 3,556,750.47	\$ 10,649,438.58	\$ 10,133,291.00

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TOWN OF SEARSPORT
 RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES
 TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
 FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES:		
Unassigned (Schedule A-3)	\$ 725,086.02	\$ 774,024.34
Restricted:		
Capital Reserve Funds (Schedule A-13)	1,351,830.83	564,608.40
Other (Schedule A-4)	17,228.76	4,836.15
Special Revenue (Schedule A-14)	<u>115,106.61</u>	<u>58,719.08</u>
Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 2,209,252.22	\$ 1,402,187.97
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statements of Net Position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds	4,558,613.97	4,758,640.32
Bonds payable are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds	(22,616.76)	(44,096.79)
Compensated absences are accrued when earned not when paid and are reported in the funds	(104,449.24)	(94,333.66)
Property taxes not collected within 60 days after year end are deferred as revenue in the fund financial statements. In the government-wide financial statements the revenue is income in the year assessed	451,887.92	403,689.72
Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit A)	<u><u>\$ 7,092,688.11</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 6,426,087.56</u></u>

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TOWN OF SEARSPORT
 RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
 FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
 FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds (Exhibit F)	\$ 807,064.25	\$ 4,733.90
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statements of Activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statements of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeds capital outlays (capital outlays exceeds depreciation). (Note N)		
	(188,499.18)	47,229.46
Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces liabilities in the Statements of Net Position.		
	21,480.03	20,400.44
The change in accrual for compensated absences is not recorded in the governmental fund statements. (Exhibit A)		
	(10,115.58)	(7,621.28)
Sale of assets is reported at gross in the governmental funds, however, in the Statements of Activities the cost is shown net of accumulated depreciation. (Note N)		
	(11,527.17)	(21,500.00)
Property taxes are deferred in the fund financial statements, but in the government-wide financial statements they are recorded as income in the year they are assessed.		
	48,198.20	(22,883.65)
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 666,600.55</u>	<u>\$ 20,358.87</u>

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TOWN OF SEARSPORT
BALANCE SHEETS - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES				2012	2011
	GENERAL	CAPITAL RESERVES	SPECIAL REVENUE		TOTAL	TOTAL
ASSETS:						
Cash	\$ 621,454.74	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 621,454.74	\$ 1,143,662.46
Investments		1,275,700.63			1,275,700.63	
Taxes Receivable	409,541.14				409,541.14	369,049.44
Tax Liens	153,147.92				153,147.92	129,184.24
Tax Acquired Property	2,295.00				2,295.00	2,295.00
Accounts Receivable	107,146.50				107,146.50	89,785.20
Due From Other Funds	111,208.19	76,130.20	115,106.61		302,445.00	170,991.61
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,404,793.49</u>	<u>\$ 1,351,830.83</u>	<u>\$ 115,106.61</u>		<u>\$ 2,871,730.93</u>	<u>\$ 1,904,967.95</u>
LIABILITIES, RESERVES, AND FUND EQUITY:						
Liabilities:						
Accounts Payable	\$ 14,734.91	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 14,734.91	\$ 9,744.83
Due To Other Funds	193,424.99				193,424.99	81,411.30
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 208,159.90</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>		<u>\$ 208,159.90</u>	<u>\$ 91,156.13</u>
Reserves:						
Deferred Revenue	\$ 2,430.89	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 2,430.89	\$ 7,934.13
Deferred Tax Revenue	451,887.92				451,887.92	403,689.72
Total Reserves	<u>\$ 454,318.81</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>		<u>\$ 454,318.81</u>	<u>\$ 411,623.85</u>
Fund Equity:						
Committed for Capital Projects	\$ -	\$ 1,351,830.83	\$ -		\$ 1,351,830.83	\$ 564,608.40
Assigned for Subsequent Years' Expenditure	17,228.76		115,106.61		132,335.37	63,555.23
Unassigned	725,086.02				725,086.02	774,024.34
Total Fund Equity	<u>\$ 742,314.78</u>	<u>\$ 1,351,830.83</u>	<u>\$ 115,106.61</u>		<u>\$ 2,209,252.22</u>	<u>\$ 1,402,187.97</u>
Total Liabilities, Reserves, and Fund Equity	<u>\$ 1,404,793.49</u>	<u>\$ 1,351,830.83</u>	<u>\$ 115,106.61</u>		<u>\$ 2,871,730.93</u>	<u>\$ 1,904,967.95</u>

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TOWN OF SEARSPORT
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES			2012	2011
	GENERAL	CAPITAL RESERVES	SPECIAL REVENUE	TOTAL	TOTAL
REVENUES:					
Property Taxes	\$ 4,156,858.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,156,858.81	\$ 4,170,442.14
Excise Taxes	361,619.61			361,619.61	340,966.65
Intergovernmental Revenues	309,484.21			309,484.21	316,763.65
Recreation	4,838.00		6,642.00	11,480.00	16,170.95
General Government	52,230.74		114,000.00	166,230.74	35,727.34
Public Assistance	2,370.29			2,370.29	5,592.21
Public Works	51,581.87		10,670.71	62,252.58	51,220.65
Public Safety	139,893.44		95,789.99	235,683.43	186,857.08
Miscellaneous	103,014.68	706,285.30	4,811.11	814,111.09	114,445.29
Interest	18,460.02	11,463.97		29,923.99	30,698.10
Total Revenues	\$ 5,200,351.67	\$ 717,749.27	\$ 231,913.81	\$ 6,150,014.75	\$ 5,268,884.06
EXPENDITURES:					
Education	\$ 2,598,658.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,598,658.32	\$ 2,592,773.40
General Government	499,999.66	13,780.91	100,844.37	614,624.94	500,355.93
Public Assistance	6,270.38			6,270.38	16,910.17
Public Works	321,092.89	172,042.70	10,318.00	503,453.59	541,941.46
Public Safety	697,799.86	33,207.73	58,304.97	789,312.56	869,783.97
Recreation and Cultural	84,785.33		6,058.94	90,844.27	90,776.64
Special Assessments	509,847.25			509,847.25	461,370.80
Miscellaneous	184,360.04	720.00		185,080.04	183,967.58
Debt Service	4,859.15			4,859.15	6,270.21
Animal Disposition Contract	40,000.00			40,000.00	
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,947,672.88	\$ 219,751.34	\$ 175,526.28	\$ 5,342,950.50	\$ 5,264,150.16
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 252,678.79	\$ 497,997.93	\$ 56,387.53	\$ 807,064.25	\$ 4,733.90
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Operating Transfers - In	\$ -	\$ 289,224.50	\$ -	\$ 289,224.50	\$ 280,035.48
Operating Transfers - Out	(289,224.50)			(289,224.50)	(280,035.48)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ (289,224.50)	\$ 289,224.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under)					
Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ (36,545.71)	\$ 787,222.43	\$ 56,387.53	\$ 807,064.25	\$ 4,733.90
Fund Balances, January 1	778,860.49	564,608.40	58,719.08	1,402,187.97	1,397,454.07
Fund Balances, December 31	\$ 742,314.78	\$ 1,351,830.83	\$ 115,106.61	\$ 2,209,252.22	\$ 1,402,187.97

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TOWN OF SEARSPORT
 STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT - ENTERPRISE
 FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

	2012	2011
OPERATING REVENUES:		
Residential and Commercial Services	\$ 268,121.69	\$ 234,861.36
Interest on User Fees	2,190.85	4,963.76
Total Operating Revenues	<u>\$ 270,312.54</u>	<u>\$ 239,825.12</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES:		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 90,063.48	\$ 90,185.03
Employee Benefits	37,921.67	36,682.37
Depreciation	178,963.47	197,519.19
Insurance	7,499.35	4,559.65
Office Expenses	1,092.35	1,224.16
Operating Supplies	23,915.42	23,643.02
Payroll Taxes	6,358.26	6,392.45
Professional Services	9,188.15	9,934.81
Repairs and Maintenance	12,064.59	11,244.03
Sludge	6,067.82	4,935.76
Utilities	23,159.28	23,504.32
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 396,293.84</u>	<u>\$ 409,824.79</u>
Net Operating Loss	<u>\$ (125,981.30)</u>	<u>\$ (169,999.67)</u>
OTHER REVENUE (EXPENSE):		
Interest Income	\$ 1,462.43	\$ 1,484.22
Interest Expense	(25,934.10)	(26,579.16)
Total Other Revenue (Expense)	<u>\$ (24,471.67)</u>	<u>\$ (25,094.94)</u>
Net Loss	<u>\$ (150,452.97)</u>	<u>\$ (195,094.61)</u>
Add: Depreciation on Assets Acquired with Contributions in Aid of Construction	160,570.12	160,570.12
Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	<u>\$ 10,117.15</u>	<u>\$ (34,524.49)</u>
Fund Balance, January 1	353,635.48	388,159.97
Fund Balance, December 31	<u><u>\$ 363,752.63</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 353,635.48</u></u>

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TOWN OF SEARSPORT
 STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
 WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT - ENTERPRISE
 FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Receipts from Users	\$ 238,506.09	\$ 252,885.30
Payment to Employees	(90,063.48)	(90,185.03)
Payment to Vendors	(127,266.89)	(122,120.57)
Payment on Bonds	(41,431.00)	(41,431.00)
Acquisition of Property, Plant, and Equipment		(1,617.36)
Cash Transfer from Town	20,255.28	2,468.66
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Cash Paid for:		
Interest	\$ 26,005.69	\$ 26,647.76

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TOWN OF SEARSPORT
STATEMENTS OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
AGENCY FUNDS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

	WORTHY POOR FUNDS	CEMETERY FUNDS	FIRE DEPARTMENT	CARVER LIBRARY	2012 TOTAL	2011 TOTAL
ASSETS						
ASSETS:						
Cash (Note B)	\$ 25,683.68	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,683.68	\$ 25,654.84
Investments	288,793.98	447,218.43	13,858.01	7,797.61	757,668.03	751,615.51
Due From General Fund	2,627.99				2,627.99	1,372.60
Total Assets	\$ 317,105.65	\$ 447,218.43	\$ 13,858.01	\$ 7,797.61	\$ 785,979.70	\$ 778,642.95
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
LIABILITIES:						
Due To Other Funds	\$ -	\$ 439.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 439.81	\$ -
FUND BALANCES:						
Restricted for Principal	\$ 134,170.17	\$ 240,429.44	\$ 4,794.38	\$ 7,465.58	\$ 386,859.57	\$ 393,554.25
Unassigned	182,935.48	206,349.18	9,063.63	332.03	398,680.32	385,088.70
Total Fund Balances	\$ 317,105.65	\$ 446,778.62	\$ 13,858.01	\$ 7,797.61	\$ 785,539.89	\$ 778,642.95
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 317,105.65	\$ 447,218.43	\$ 13,858.01	\$ 7,797.61	\$ 785,979.70	\$ 778,642.95

Exhibit J

STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES - FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE - NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

	WORTHY POOR FUNDS	CEMETERY FUNDS	FIRE DEPARTMENT	CARVER LIBRARY	2012 TOTAL	2011 TOTAL
REVENUES:						
Interest	\$ 7,262.05	\$ 9,767.65	\$ 320.04	\$ 180.21	\$ 17,529.95	\$ 22,119.90
Cemetery Lot Sales		525.00			525.00	850.00
Contributions	2,684.79				2,684.79	2,789.61
Capital Gains/Losses	(403.68)	(965.48)	(20.77)	(22.87)	(1,412.80)	(1,901.73)
Unrealized Appreciation	(3,641.92)	(4,877.44)	(160.86)	(90.77)	(8,770.99)	13,294.99
Total Revenues	\$ 5,901.24	\$ 4,449.73	\$ 138.41	\$ 66.57	\$ 10,555.95	\$ 37,152.77
EXPENSES:						
Fiduciary Fees	\$ 1,094.54	\$ 1,467.48	\$ 48.23	\$ 27.15	\$ 2,637.40	\$ 4,082.17
Worthy Poor	56.80				56.80	2,466.01
Capital Improvements		964.81			964.81	
Total Expenses	\$ 1,151.34	\$ 2,432.29	\$ 48.23	\$ 27.15	\$ 3,659.01	\$ 6,548.18
Net Income	\$ 4,749.90	\$ 2,017.44	\$ 90.18	\$ 39.42	\$ 6,896.94	\$ 30,604.59
Fund Balance, January 1	312,355.75	444,761.18	13,767.83	7,758.19	778,642.95	748,038.36
Fund Balance, December 31	\$ 317,105.65	\$ 446,778.62	\$ 13,858.01	\$ 7,797.61	\$ 785,539.89	\$ 778,642.95

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TOWN OF SEARSPORT
 STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
 FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE - NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS
 FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Interest on Investments	\$ 17,529.95	\$ 22,119.90
Cash Received for Trust Funds	3,838.61	6,351.03
Cash Paid for Investment Services	(2,637.40)	(4,082.17)
Cash Paid for Worthy Poor	(2,466.01)	(2,230.78)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 16,265.15</u>	<u>\$ 22,157.98</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Net Purchase of Investments in Pooled Account	(16,236.31)	(22,202.52)
Increase (Decrease) in Cash	<u>\$ 28.84</u>	<u>\$ (44.54)</u>
Cash Balance, January 1	25,654.84	25,699.38
Cash Balance, December 31	<u><u>\$ 25,683.68</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 25,654.84</u></u>

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TOWN OF SEARSPORT
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	ORIGINAL AND FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL
REVENUES:		
Property Taxes	\$ 4,207,967.04	\$ 4,156,858.81
Excise Taxes	338,000.00	361,619.61
Intergovernmental Revenues	317,932.12	309,484.21
Recreation	6,000.00	4,838.00
General Government	38,340.00	52,230.74
Public Assistance	12,500.00	2,370.29
Public Works	63,000.00	51,581.87
Public Safety	144,200.00	139,893.44
Miscellaneous	80,000.00	103,014.68
Interest	22,610.00	18,460.02
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 5,230,549.16</u>	<u>\$ 5,200,351.67</u>
EXPENDITURES:		
Education	\$ 2,598,658.32	\$ 2,598,658.32
General Government	510,825.00	499,999.66
Public Assistance	26,019.00	6,270.38
Public Works	343,116.00	321,092.89
Public Safety	725,568.00	697,799.86
Recreation	96,075.00	84,785.33
Special Assessments	509,847.25	509,847.25
Miscellaneous	189,507.00	184,360.04
Debt Service	12,000.00	4,859.15
Animal Disposition Contract		40,000.00
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 5,011,615.57</u>	<u>\$ 4,947,672.88</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>\$ 218,933.59</u>	<u>\$ 252,678.79</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):		
Operating Transfers - Out	(289,224.50)	(289,224.50)
Excess of Expenditures and Other Uses Over Revenues and Other Sources	<u>\$ (70,290.91)</u>	<u>\$ (36,545.71)</u>
Fund Balance, January 1	778,860.49	778,860.49
Fund Balance, December 31	<u><u>\$ 708,569.58</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 742,314.78</u></u>

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Cash Balance, January 1, 2012 \$ 600,373.68

ADD: CASH RECEIPTS:

Property Tax Collections:

Current Year \$ 3,802,399.68

Prior Years 332,730.12

Prepayments 2,430.89

Total Property Tax Collections \$ 4,137,560.69

Excise Taxes 361,619.61

Departmental (Schedule A-4) 324,880.79

Temporary Loans 1,200,000.00

State Revenue Sharing 199,583.61

State Highway Funds 48,324.00

Homestead Reimbursement 68,699.00

State Fees 4,317.85

Accounts Receivable 52,047.97

Payroll Withholdings 2,228.27

Special Revenue Funds 201,913.81

Trust Fund Deposit 5,675.80

Contributions/Grants Capital Reserves 6,657.04

Transfer from Capital Reserves 43,000.59

Wastewater Revenue 249,311.82

Total Cash Receipts 6,905,820.85

Total Cash Available \$ 7,506,194.53

LESS: CASH DISBURSEMENTS:

Departmental (Schedule A-4) \$ 4,903,699.68

Repayment of Temporary Loans 1,200,000.00

Blake Veterinary Contract 40,000.00

Accounts Payable 3,242.57

State Fees 7,676.80

Payroll Withholdings 647.89

Special Revenue Funds Expenses 175,526.28

Transfer to Capital Reserves 64,320.21

Capital Reserve Expenses 213,707.48

Trust Account Expenses 1,021.61

Transfer to Trust Funds 3,838.61

Wastewater Expenses 269,567.10

Accounts Receivable 1,491.56

Total Cash Disbursements 6,884,739.79

Cash Balance, December 31, 2012 \$ 621,454.74

**TOWN OF SEARSPORT
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012**

Unappropriated Surplus, January 1, 2012	\$ 774,024.34
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INCREASES:

Operating Account Balances Lapsed - Net (Schedule A-4)	114,259.88
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Total Available	\$ 888,284.22
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DECREASES:

Appropriated at Annual and Special Town Meetings	\$ 75,000.00	
Blake Veterinary Services Contract	40,000.00	
Increase in Deferred Property Taxes	48,198.20	

	163,198.20
Unappropriated Surplus, December 31, 2012	\$ 725,086.02

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	BALANCE FORWARD 1/1/12	APPROPRIATIONS	CASH RECEIPTS	OTHER CREDITS	TOTAL	CASH DISBURSED	OTHER CHARGES	UNEXPENDED (OVERDRAFT)	BALANCE FORWARD 12/31/12
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:									
Education	\$ -	\$ 2,598,658.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,598,658.32	\$ 2,598,658.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
County Tax		450,930.31			450,930.31	450,930.31			
Overlay		4,709.09			4,709.09			4,709.09	
TIF Financing		90,641.44			90,641.44	58,916.94	31,724.50		
	\$ -	\$ 3,144,939.16	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,144,939.16	\$ 3,108,505.57	\$ 31,724.50	\$ 4,709.09	\$ -
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:									
Selectmen	\$ -	\$ 8,029.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,029.00	\$ 6,439.14	\$ -	\$ 1,589.86	\$ -
Manager		76,712.00		1,296.34	78,008.34	78,008.34			
Administration		161,390.00		4,132.94	165,522.94	165,522.94			
Code Enforcement		23,341.00			23,341.00	19,357.62		3,983.38	
Physical Plant		63,495.00		73.57	63,568.57	63,568.57			
Insurance/Legal		80,683.00		5,238.06	85,921.06	85,921.06			
Shellfish		2,250.00	4,270.00		6,520.00	2,252.89	2,250.00	2,017.11	
Animal Control		13,600.00	1,508.00		15,108.00	5,936.77	2,000.00	7,171.23	
Town Office		16,016.00			16,016.00	14,023.79		1,992.21	
Assessor		62,709.00			62,709.00	62,302.27		406.73	
Miscellaneous			42,071.80		42,071.80	4,113.25		5,569.18	
State Revenue Sharing				71,592.46	71,592.46			1,287.01	
Planning Board		1,700.00	4,380.94	202,051.75	202,051.75	3,093.93	103,981.83	(8,448.25)	
Appeals Board		400.00			400.00	200.00	210,500.00	200.00	
Abatements and Supplemental Taxes				166.65	166.65		1,700.00	(2,910.03)	
Interest			18,460.02		18,460.02		3,076.68	22,610.00	
BETE			35,840.00		35,840.00		22,610.00	(4,149.98)	
Comprehensive Plan		500.00			500.00		35,840.29	500.00	
	\$ -	\$ 510,825.00	\$ 106,530.76	\$ 284,551.77	\$ 901,907.53	\$ 510,740.57	\$ 381,958.80	\$ 9,208.16	\$ -
PUBLIC SAFETY:									
Police	\$ -	\$ 244,830.00	\$ 1,605.00	\$ -	\$ 246,435.00	\$ 229,594.07	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 15,340.93	\$ -
Public Safety Building		21,328.00		385.56	21,713.56	21,713.56			
Fire Department		76,718.00	2,323.25	5,940.33	84,981.58	81,187.73	3,793.85	43.10	
Street Lights		21,800.00			21,800.00	21,756.90		6,195.00	
Hydrant Rental		183,195.00			183,195.00	177,000.00			
Emergency Management		2,054.00		74.39	2,128.39	2,128.39			
Ambulance		175,643.00	101,290.19		311,608.19	167,177.52	142,548.12	1,882.55	
	\$ -	\$ 725,568.00	\$ 105,218.44	\$ 41,075.28	\$ 871,861.72	\$ 700,558.17	\$ 147,841.97	\$ 23,461.58	\$ -
PUBLIC WORKS:									
Highways and Streets	\$ -	\$ 323,616.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 323,616.00	\$ 301,084.59	\$ 331.23	\$ 22,200.18	\$ -
Harbor Master		15,500.00	3,257.87		18,757.87	15,677.07	3,000.00	80.80	
State Highway Funds				48,324.00	48,324.00		60,000.00	(11,676.00)	
Road Book		4,000.00			4,000.00	4,000.00			
	\$ -	\$ 343,116.00	\$ 3,257.87	\$ 48,324.00	\$ 394,697.87	\$ 320,761.66	\$ 63,331.23	\$ 10,604.98	\$ -

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
VALUATION, ASSESSMENT, AND COLLECTIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

VALUATION:

Real Estate	\$ 200,834,360.00
Personal Property	12,799,262.00
Less: Homestead and BETE Exemption	<u>5,318,422.00</u>
	<u>\$ 208,315,200.00</u>

ASSESSMENT:

Valuation x Rate (\$208,315,200.00 x .0202)	\$ 4,207,967.04	
	<u>166.65</u>	
		\$ 4,208,133.69

COLLECTIONS AND CREDITS:

Cash Collections	\$ 3,802,399.68	
Abatements	385.82	
Prepayments	<u>5,465.99</u>	
Total Collections and Credits		<u>3,808,251.49</u>
2012 Taxes Receivable - December 31, 2012		<u>\$ 399,882.20</u>

COMPUTATION OF ASSESSMENT

Tax Commitment	\$ 4,207,967.04	
Surplus	75,000.00	
Excise Taxes - Auto and Boat	338,000.00	
State Revenue Sharing	210,500.00	
Homestead Reimbursement	71,591.83	
General Assistance	12,500.00	
Ambulance Revenue	142,500.00	
Transfer Station	80,000.00	
Recreation	6,000.00	
Administration	21,500.00	
State DOT Subsidy	60,000.00	
BETE State Reimbursement	35,840.29	
Police Revenue	1,500.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>42,650.00</u>	
		\$ 5,305,549.16
REQUIREMENTS:		
Appropriations	\$ 2,251,251.44	
Education	2,598,658.32	
County Tax	<u>450,930.31</u>	
		<u>5,300,840.07</u>
Overlay		<u>\$ 4,709.09</u>

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH BALANCE
DECEMBER 31, 2012

Cash on Hand		\$	350.00
Bangor Savings Bank:			
General Fund Checking:			
Balance Per Bank Statement	\$	621,111.25	
Add: Deposits in Transit		27,084.63	
Deduct: Outstanding Checks		<u>27,091.14</u>	
Balance Per Books			621,104.74
Cash Balance, December 31, 2012			<u><u>\$ 621,454.74</u></u>

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TAXES RECEIVABLE
DECEMBER 31, 2012

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
2012	\$ 399,882.20	\$ -
2011	2,098.21	357,444.18
2010	474.77	1,002.73
2009	1,461.52	1,944.02
2008	718.20	1,205.03
2007	510.31	1,060.30
2006	355.32	937.44
2005	453.15	617.50
2004	431.10	567.00
2003	2,336.27	2,463.50
2002	314.93	314.93
2001	170.54	357.59
2000	144.38	144.38
1999	94.30	94.30
1998	95.94	376.74
1995		519.80
	<u><u>\$ 409,541.14</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 369,049.44</u></u>

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
TRUST FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2012

TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS

TIME DEPOSITS

AMOUNT

Bangor Savings - Nichols Trust (Elmwood Cemetery)	\$ 20,780.11
Bangor Savings - Lawrence Trust (Gordon Cemetery)	4,903.57
Bangor Savings Investment Account	757,668.03
Due From General Fund	2,188.18
	<u>\$ 785,539.89</u>

TRUST FUND EQUITY

	PRINCIPAL	UNEXPENDED INCOME
WORTHY POOR FUNDS:		
Trust Funds:		
C. & I. Adams	\$ 3,154.25	\$ 2,031.07
A. Gilmore	1,094.68	1,373.14
N. Merryman	2,121.31	1,387.19
H. Nichols	(467.78)	552.74
J. Nichols	42,979.58	76,102.69
Heating Fuel Assistance Funds:		
L. Perry	85,011.34	100,505.57
B. & L. Colcord	276.79	983.08
CEMETERY FUNDS:		
Perpetual Care:		
Mount Hope Cemetery	14,661.34	1,721.53
Village Cemetery	48,327.99	14,250.90
Bowdich Cemetery	6,358.72	20.66
Elmwood Cemetery	64,488.76	32,731.56
Gordon Cemetery	31,110.26	12,226.03
Evergreen Cemetery	2,979.58	(273.01)
Merithew Cemetery	1,483.68	415.06
General Care:		
Evergreen Cemetery	64,782.65	117,121.74
Village Cemetery	1,436.37	10,986.76
Elmwood Cemetery	486.70	1,230.36
D. Nichols	1,078.35	3,979.40
L. Drew	1,617.51	5,969.10
E. Eaton	1,617.53	5,969.09
FIRE DEPARTMENT	4,794.38	9,063.63
CARVER MEMORIAL LIBRARY	7,465.58	332.03
	<u>\$ 386,859.57</u>	<u>\$ 398,680.32</u>

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2012

AMBULANCE FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 14,969.05	
Add: Appropriations	12,500.00	
Interest Earned	<u>236.09</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		\$ 27,705.14

PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 56,256.20	
Add: Appropriations	20,000.00	
Interest Earned	892.81	
Sale of Property	5,741.00	
Less: Expenses Paid	<u>(7,879.00)</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		75,011.01

ROAD MAINTENANCE FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 96,740.06	
Add: Appropriations	150,000.00	
Interest Earned	1,545.30	
Less: Expenses Paid	<u>(161,143.70)</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		87,141.66

FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 23,293.12	
Add: Appropriations	35,000.00	
Interest Earned	381.81	
Less: Expenses Paid	<u>(23,813.64)</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		34,861.29

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 9,617.23	
Add: Appropriations	5,000.00	
Interest Earned	171.82	
Less: Expenses Paid	<u>(3,901.63)</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		10,887.42

POLICE CRUISER FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 17,291.95	
Add: Appropriations	5,000.00	
Interest Earned	<u>274.21</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		22,566.16

TRANSFER FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 7,979.16	
Add: Appropriation	5,000.00	
Interest Earned	<u>132.54</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		13,111.70

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2012

WHARF FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 19,890.28	
Add: Appropriations	10,000.00	
Interest Earned	347.61	
Miscellaneous Income	<u>71.50</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		\$ 30,309.39

SIDEWALK FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 16,534.60	
Add: Appropriation	2,000.00	
Interest Earned	<u>264.86</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		18,799.46

REVALUATION FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 21,672.89	
Add: Appropriation	1,000.00	
Interest Earned	<u>347.27</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		23,020.16

LIBRARY FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 11,349.34	
Add: Appropriation	5,000.00	
Interest Earned	200.63	
Miscellaneous Income	825.00	
Less: Expenses Paid	<u>(720.00)</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		16,654.97

CEMETERY FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 3,006.52	
Add: Appropriation	500.00	
Interest Earned	51.70	
Less: Expenses Paid	<u>(3,020.00)</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		538.22

BUILDING FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 16,878.60	
Add: Appropriation	5,000.00	
Interest Earned	269.54	
Less: Expenses Paid	<u>(7,076.62)</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		15,071.52

COMPUTER FUND:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 2,567.09	
Add: Appropriations	1,500.00	
Interest Earned	<u>30.37</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		4,097.46

TOWN OF SEARSPORT
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2012

TIF RESERVES:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 238,576.52	
Add: Appropriations	31,724.50	
Interest Earned	<u>3,773.00</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		\$ 274,074.02

DRUG FORFEITURE RESERVE ACCOUNT:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 7,985.79	
Add: Interest Earned	125.26	
Less: Expenses Paid	<u>(5,492.46)</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		2,618.59

RETIREMENT RESERVE:

Fund Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ -	
Add: Interest Earned	2,419.15	
Transfer from MEPRS	699,647.80	
Less: Expenditures	<u>(6,704.29)</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2012		695,362.66
		<u><u>\$ 1,351,830.83</u></u>

Warrant Articles

For the Annual Town Meeting to be held on March 5, and March 9, 2013

To: Richard LaHaye, a Constable of Searsport, in the County of Waldo, State of Maine.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Searsport, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Searsport Public Safety Building, 3 Union Street, at 8:00 A.M. on Tuesday the fifth day of March, AD 2013, the One Hundred and Sixty Sixth Anniversary of the Town of Searsport and the Two Hundred and Thirty Seventh Anniversary of the United States of America, there and then to act upon Articles 1 and 2, AND To notify and warn said voters to meet at the Searsport High School Gym at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, the ninth day of March, AD 2013, there and then to act upon Articles 3 through 41 inclusive.

ARTICLE 1. To choose Moderator to preside at said Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 2. Elect one (1) Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor for three (3) year term; (1) Regional School Unit 20 Board Member for a three (3) year term and nine (9) Budget Advisory Committee Members for two (2) year terms.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$1,103,211.00 established for Searsport by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the following articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

ARTICLE 4. To see what sum the Town shall vote to raise and appropriate from 2013 taxes and/or appropriate from general revenues; state or federal grants or subsidies; fund balances; and/or excise taxes for the following municipal accounts for fiscal year 2013.

2012 Appropriate Request	Raised By Taxes	REVENUE	EXCISE TAX	2012 Appropriated
SELECTMEN				
\$ 8,029	\$ 8,029			\$ 8,029
	Raise and Appropriate \$8,029			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC 15-0-0	
TOWN MANAGER				
\$68,672	\$68,672			\$76,712
	Raise and Appropriate \$68,672			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 13-2-0	
ADMINISTRATION				
\$195,752	\$125,752	\$40,000	\$30,000	\$ 161,390
	Raise \$125,752 and Appropriate \$195,752			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	

2013 Appropriate Request	Raised By Taxes	REVENUE	EXCISE TAX	2012 Appropriated
<i>ASSESSOR</i>				
\$63,975	\$63,975			\$62,709
	Raise and Appropriate \$63,975			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE INTEREST</i>				
\$12,000	\$12,000			\$12,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$12,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>SELECTMEN'S CONTINGENCY</i>				
\$30,000	\$30,000			\$20,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$30,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 13-2-0	
<i>INSURANCE/LEGAL</i>				
\$110,683	\$110,683			\$80,683
	Raise and Appropriate \$110,683			
	Selectmen: 4-0-1		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>TOWN OFFICE</i>				
\$16,300	\$16,300			\$16,016
	Raise and Appropriate \$16,300			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>POLICE DEPARTMENT</i>				
\$249,483	\$247,983	\$1,500		\$244,830
	Raise \$247,983 and Appropriate \$249,483			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>ANIMAL CONTROL</i>				
\$5,600	\$3,600	\$2,000		\$13,600
	Raise \$3,600 and Appropriate \$5,600			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>SHELLFISH WARDEN</i>				
\$2,250	\$0	\$2,250		\$2,250
	Raise \$0 and Appropriate \$2,250			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT</i>				
\$182,695	\$52,695	\$130,000		\$175,643
	Raise \$52,695 and Appropriate \$182,695			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	

2013 Appropriate Request	Raised By Taxes	REVENUE	EXCISE TAX	2012 Appropriated
<i>FIRE DEPARTMENT</i>				
\$76,718	\$76,518	\$200		\$76,718
	Raise \$76,518 and Appropriate \$76,718			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDINGS</i>				
\$23,690	\$23,690			\$21,328
	Raise and Appropriate \$23,690			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</i>				
\$6,954	\$3,954	\$3000		\$2,054
	Raise \$3,954 and Appropriate \$6,954			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 14-1-0	
<i>STREET LIGHTS</i>				
\$22,500	\$22,500			\$21,800
	Raise and Appropriate \$22,500			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>FIRE PROTECTION/HYDRANTS</i>				
\$193,785	\$193,785			\$183,195
	Raise and Appropriate \$193,785			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 12-3-0	
<i>PUBLIC WORKS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</i>				
\$320,218	\$ 60,218	\$260,000		\$243,616
	Raise \$60,218 and Appropriate \$320,218			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>HARBORMASTER</i>				
\$15,750	\$9,750	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$15,500
	Raise \$9,750 and Appropriate \$15,750			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>TRANSFER STATION</i>				
\$106,660	\$26,660	\$80,000		\$113,332
	Raise \$26,660 and Appropriate \$106,660			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>PHYSICAL PLANT</i>				
\$65,966	\$65,966			\$63,495
	Raise and Appropriate \$65,966			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	

2013 Appropriate Request	Raised By Taxes	REVENUE	EXCISE TAX	2012 Appropriated
<i>SEPTAGE DISPOSAL</i>				
\$2,000	\$2,000			\$2,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$2,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>GENERAL ASSISTANCE</i>				
\$25,000	\$20,000	\$5,000		\$25,000
	Raise \$20,000 and Appropriate \$25,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>RECREATION</i>				
\$20,650	\$14,650	\$6,000		\$19,350
	Raise \$14,650 and Appropriate \$20,650			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>CARVER MEMORIAL LIBRARY</i>				
\$87,140	\$87,140			\$76,725
	Raise and Appropriate \$87,140			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>PLANNING BOARD</i>				
\$3,400	\$1,700	\$1,700		\$1,700
	Raise \$1,700 and Appropriate \$3,400			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 14-0-1	
<i>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</i>				
\$1,000	\$1,000			\$1,300
	Raise and Appropriate \$1,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 14-0-1	
<i>CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER</i>				
\$22,841	\$22,841			\$23,341
	Raise and Appropriate \$22,841			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>BOARD OF APPEALS</i>				
\$400	\$400			\$400
	Raise and Appropriate \$400			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 14-0-1	
<i>COMMUNITY HEALTH OFFICER</i>				
\$969	\$969			\$1,019
	Raise and Appropriate \$969			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	

2013 Appropriate Request	Raised By Taxes	REVENUE	EXCISE TAX	2012 Appropriated
<i>MOSMAN PARK</i>				
\$2,000	\$2,000			\$2,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$2,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>HOLIDAY/SPECIAL EVENTS</i>				
\$3,700	\$3,700			\$3,700
	Raise and Appropriate \$3,700			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>HOLIDAY DECORATIONS</i>				
\$500	\$500			\$500
	Raise and Appropriate \$500			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>COMPREHENSIVE PLAN</i>				
\$100	\$100			\$500
	Raise and Appropriate \$100			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>VIDEO SYSTEM</i>				
\$19,000		\$19,000		\$15,000
	Raise \$0 and Appropriate \$19,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>CAPITAL & SPECIAL PROJECTS- ROAD BOOK/G.I.S.</i>				
\$4,000	\$4,000			\$4,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$4,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>AMBULANCE RESERVE</i>				
\$12,500	\$ 0	\$12,500		\$12,500
	Raise \$ 0 and Appropriate \$12,500			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT RESERVE</i>				
\$20,000	\$20,000			\$20,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$20,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>ROAD MAINTENANCE RESERVE</i>				
\$150,000	\$45,000	\$60,000	\$45,000	\$150,000
	Raise \$45,000 and Appropriate \$150,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	

2013 Appropriate Request	Raised By Taxes	REVENUE	EXCISE TAX	2012 Appropriated
<i>FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT RESERVE</i>				
\$35,000	\$35,000			\$35,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$35,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING REPAIR</i>				
\$5,000	\$5,000			\$5,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$5,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>POLICE CRUISER RESERVE</i>				
\$5,000	\$5,000			\$5,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$5,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>WHARF REPAIR RESERVE</i>				
\$10,000	\$10,000			\$10,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$10,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>SIDEWALK REPAIR RESERVE</i>				
\$2,000	\$ 2,000			\$2,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$2,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>PROPERTY REVALUATION RESERVE</i>				
\$1,000	\$1,000			\$1,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$1,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>LIBRARY CAPITAL RESERVE</i>				
\$ 2,500	\$2,500			\$ 5,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$ 2,500			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>CEMETERY EQUIPMENT RESERVE</i>				
\$500	\$500			\$750
	Raise and Appropriate \$500			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	
<i>BUILDING REPAIR RESERVE</i>				
\$5,000	\$5,000			\$5,000
	Raise and Appropriate \$5,000			
	Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0	

2013 Appropriate Request	Raised By Taxes	REVENUE	EXCISE TAX	2012 Appropriated
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TOWN HALL COMPUTER RESERVE

\$1,500	\$1,500			\$1,500
Raise and Appropriate \$1,500				
Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0		

TRANSFER STATION RESERVE

\$5,000	\$5,000			\$ 5,000
Raise and Appropriate \$5,000				
Selectmen: 5-0-0		BAC: 15-0-0		

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the 2013 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2014 to the completion of the 2014 Town Meeting, except those costs associated with the Public Works winter road maintenance program may, if necessary, exceed this amount.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept and pay no interest on prepaid taxes not yet due or assessed.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to determine when the 2013 taxes shall be due and payable.
RECOMMENDED DUE DATE: September 3, 2013

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at **5%** for the fiscal year 2013. The maximum State rate is 7% and we are recommending the minimum rate allowable at 5%.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to charge interest on the 2013 taxes remaining unpaid after a certain date. If so, what rate of interest and what due date?

**RECOMMENDED: 5% Annual (.417 Monthly) interest starting
October 8, 2013.**

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to expend funds from any Town Reserve account for the following purposes: (NOTE: "major" is defined as any cost not included in a corresponding operating budget).

Ambulance Reserve – purchase of a vehicle or major repairs to existing vehicles.

Public Works Equipment Reserve – purchase of vehicles or equipment, or major repairs to existing vehicles or equipment.

Road Maintenance Reserve – costs associated with the rebuilding, resurfacing and major repair of Town Roads and shoulders.

Fire Department Equipment Reserve – purchase of vehicles or equipment, or major repairs to existing vehicles or equipment.

Public Safety Buildings Reserve – major repair/renovation of or upgrade to the Town Public Safety Building and North Fire Station.

Police Cruiser Reserve – purchase of vehicle or major repairs to existing vehicle(s).

Wastewater System Reserve – addition to or repair/replacement of the wastewater system structures, equipment, sewer lines, or anything appurtenant thereto.

Dredging Reserve – dredging of Searsport Harbor or harbor related projects.

Transfer Station Reserve – purchase or repair of disposal related vehicles, equipment, or structures; costs associated with any reconfiguration of the Transfer Station site, or relocation to a different site if required; and any other costs associated with bringing the site into compliance with Town/State/Federal regulations.

Wharf Repair Reserve – major repairs/replacement of the Town Wharf, floats, or portions thereof.

Sidewalk Repair Reserve – major rebuilding/extension or resurfacing of Town sidewalks.

Property Revaluation Reserve – costs associated with the revaluation of real and personal property within the Town.

Library Capital Repair Reserve – major repairs/renovation of the Carver Memorial Library.

Cemetery Equipment Reserve – purchase of capital equipment or major repairs to existing equipment.

Building Repair Reserve – major repair/renovation of Town Buildings.

Computer Capital Reserve – purchase or upgrade of Town computer equipment, peripherals and software necessary to Town operation.

Economic Development Reserve – for Economic Development projects and to print a business and visitors guide as needed.

TIF Revenue Reserve – Tax Increment Financing revenue to be used on approved Economic Development projects for the town.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of surplus equipment or vehicles, crediting the respective department reserve with any proceeds.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of town-owned personal property not otherwise addressed in Article 11, with a sale value of \$3,000 or less, upon such terms and conditions, as the Selectmen shall deem advisable.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to contract for necessary services, as appropriated, under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to expend funds from the Selectmen's Contingency account to meet unbudgeted, necessary expenses, or to meet an unexpected need for additional money to fund an expenditure previously authorized.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town of Searsport will appropriate up to \$ 95,780.00 from the 2013 Imery's Clay formerly PPSA-OV tax revenue to fulfill the year eight (8) requirement of the Town of Searsport's Credit Enhancement Contract with Imery's Clay formerly PPSA-OV for Tax Increment Financing to the following: Sixty-five percent of the amount will be returned to Imery's Clay formerly PPSA-OV and thirty-five percent will be placed in the Town of Searsport TIF Reserve Account.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following sums to be paid in trust, the investment income from which is to be used toward the perpetual care cost of the cemetery lots designated to the following:

2012			
DONOR	AMOUNT	CEMETERY	LOTS
Martha Lowe	\$ 125	Mount Hope	Lot 80
Carolyn Ashey	\$ 300	Elmwood	R- 4 Lot 293 1-4
Patricia Marr	\$ 100	Elmwood	R- 3 Lot 256-2

ARTICLE 17. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support the Searsport Historical Society for the continued restoration and maintenance of the Crary/Carlin/Coleman house.

2012 Appropriation: **\$5,300**

Selectmen recommend: **\$2,400** vote: 4-0-1

2013 Request: **\$2,400**

BAC recommend: **\$2,400** vote: 15-0-0

ARTICLE 18. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support the Waldo Community Action Partners.

2012 Appropriation: **\$18,000**

2013 Request: **\$20,973**

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 19,000** vote: 3-0-2

BAC recommend: **\$19,000** vote: 15-0-0

ARTICLE 19. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support New Hope for Women.

2012 Appropriation: **\$1,325**

2013 Request: **\$1,325**

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 1,325** vote: 4-0-1

BAC recommend: **\$ 1,325** vote: 13-2-0

ARTICLE 20. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support the Sexual Assault Crisis & Support Center.

2012 Appropriation: **\$1000**

2013 Request: **\$1,000**

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 1,000** vote: 4-0-1

BAC recommend: **\$ 1,000** vote: 15-0-0

ARTICLE 21. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support the Waldo County YMCA.

2012 Appropriation: **\$1,000**

2013 Request: **\$1,500**

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 1,000** vote: 3-0-2

BAC recommend: **\$1,000** vote: 13-1-1

ARTICLE 22. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support the Pine Tree Chapter of the American Red Cross.

2012 Appropriation: **\$600**

2013 Request: **\$600**

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 0** vote: 4-0-1

BAC recommend: **\$ 0** vote: 10-5-0

ARTICLE 23. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support Spectrum Generation.

2012 Appropriation: **\$800**

2013 Request: **\$800**

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 600** vote: 4-0-1

BAC recommend: **\$ 600** vote: 15-0-0

ARTICLE 24. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support the Hospice Volunteers of Waldo County.

2012 Appropriation: **\$1,500**

2013 Request: **\$1,500**

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 1,500** vote: 4-0-1

BAC recommend: **\$1,500** vote: 15-0-0

ARTICLE 25. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support Searsport Beautification

2012 Appropriation: **\$500**

2013 Request: **\$500**

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 500** vote: 5-0-0

BAC recommend: **\$ 500** vote: 15-0-0

ARTICLE 26. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support Swan Lake Association

2012 Appropriation: **\$800**

2013 Request: **\$1,000**

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 800** vote: 4-0-1

BAC recommend: **\$ 750** vote: 12-1-2

ARTICLE 27. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support Midcoast Maine Community Action

2012 Appropriation: **\$500**

2013 Request: **\$1,000**

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 500** vote: 4-0-1

BAC recommend: **\$ 500** vote: 15-0-0

ARTICLE 28. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support New Strategies for Youth (Game Loft)

2012 Appropriation: **\$350**

Selectmen recommend: **\$300** vote: 4-0-1

2013 Request: **\$300**

BAC recommend: **\$300** vote: 11-3-1

ARTICLE 29. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support Belfast Area Child Care

2012 Appropriation: **\$0**

Selectmen recommend: **\$300** vote: 3-1-1

2013 Request: **\$500**

BAC recommend: **\$ 0** vote: 12-1-2

ARTICLE 30. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support Broadreach

2012 Appropriation: **\$0**

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 1,000** vote: 4-0-1

2013 Request: **\$2,500**

BAC recommend: **\$ 1,000** vote: 13-2-0

ARTICLE 31. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support Friends of Sears Island

2012 Appropriation: no request

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 400** vote: 4-0-1

2013 Request: **\$2,000**

BAC recommend: **\$ 400** vote: 11-2-2

ARTICLE 32. To see what sum the voters will raise and appropriate, up to the requested amount, to help support Habitat for Humanity

2012 Appropriation: no request

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 250** vote: 4-0-1

2013 Request: **\$250**

BAC recommend: **\$ 250** vote: 12-2-1

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate up to \$ 50,000.00 dollars from surplus to fund items within the 2013 municipal budget that would otherwise be raised by taxes.

Selectmen recommend \$ 50,000.00: 3-2-0

BAC recommend \$ 25,000.00: 15-0-0

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts to borrow funds and expend said funds to build a Fire Station at 619 Mt Ephraim Road. Map 5 Lot 74A. This article also gives the Board of Selectmen permission to expend up to \$400,000 from the funds drawn down from Maine State Retirement in 2012 for the project and borrow the rest. The total cost of the project is not to exceed \$762,000.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to retain ownership of a parcel of land at 619 Mount Ephraim Road, Map 5 Lot 74A purchased in June of 2011 with the purpose of the future building of a Fire Station.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract to re-mount the 2005 ambulance box onto a new chassis. The cost of the re-mount is \$84,000 and this article authorizes the Selectmen to use \$33,390 from the Ambulance Reserve Account and to borrow the balance at \$48,610 after a \$2000 credit.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town of Searsport, Maine will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend up to \$300,000 from funds drawn down from Maine State Retirement in 2012 to match a State Small Harbor Improvement Program (SHIP) Grant. The Town's goal is to provide a grant match of fifty percent of the total cost of the project and will only be drawn upon if Searsport is awarded a SHIP grant in 2013.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Ordinance for the Establishment and Administration of a Municipal Fire Department in the following sections:

1.3 Creation

There is hereby created a fire department for the Town of Searsport which shall consist of a fire chief, ~~station chief(s)~~ and such other officers and members as shall be determined by the Selectmen.

1.4.5 ~~"Personnel Code and Administration (P-C&A)"~~ "Town Policy Manual" shall mean those personnel rules and regulations as has been adopted and promulgated by the Selectmen.

1.4.7 ~~"Station Chiefs" shall mean the senior officer(s) of each respective entire station.~~

1.4.8 7 "Town" shall mean the Town of Searsport, Maine.

1.4.9 ~~"Town Manager" shall mean the chief executive officer of the town, as appointed by the Selectmen.~~

Article 2. Department Composition

The department shall be composed of two separate stations which shall be directly administered by ~~a station~~ the fire chief and such other officers as shall be defined and designated by the Selectmen. For purposes of clarity and identification, the separate stations shall be designated and located as follows:

Station 1. shall be generally located in the southern area of the town.

Station 2. shall be generally located in the northern area of the town.

Article 3. Administration

3.1 Appointments

The fire department shall be headed by a fire chief, who shall be annually appointed by the ~~Town Manager~~ Board of Selectmen, subject to confirmation by the ~~Selectmen~~. ~~Station chiefs,~~ All other officers and members of the department shall be appointed by the fire chief, subject to approval by the Town Manager. The town is an equal opportunity employer, therefore the department shall not discriminate against anyone because of race, creed, color, sex or national origin. Because of the potential hazards associated with fire fighting, members must be 18 years of age or older to join the department and ~~must be 21 years of age or older to drive any of the fire fighting vehicles.~~

3.2 Suspension and Discharge

The fire chief may be suspended or discharged by the Town Manager in accordance with the provisions of the PC&A Town Policy Manual. ~~Station chief(s),~~ Other officers and

members of the department, may be suspended by the chief in accordance with the provisions of the ~~PC&A. Town Policy Manual~~. The Town Manager may discharge any officer or member of the department, in accordance with the provisions of the ~~Personnel Code and Administration (PC&A). Town Policy Manual~~.

Article 4. Duties and Responsibilities

~~4.2 Station Chief(s)~~

~~As senior officer(s) of the fire stations, the station chief(s) shall be responsible to the fire chief for the operations and maintenance of his/her respective station and the training and performance of all station subordinates.~~

4.3 ~~2~~ Officers

Such officers of the department, as may exist, shall be ~~responsible~~ accountable to the fire chief ~~and station chief(s)~~ for the performance of their respective duties and that of the station(s).

4.4 (3) Members

Members of the department shall be ~~responsible~~ accountable to the chief, ~~station chief(s)~~ and other officers of the department for the performance of their respective duties and that of the department.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to approve a Changeable Signs Ordinance for the Town of Searsport. A copy of the ordinance will be available at the town office, on line at www.searsport.maine.gov and at the Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Shellfish Ordinance as follows:

VIII. Harvesting

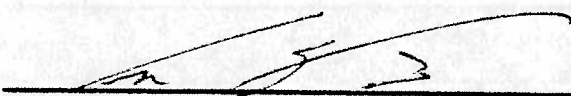
Clams may only be harvested during daylight hours. Similar to hunting regulations, this would mean one half hour before sunrise and one half hour after sunset.

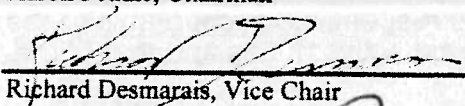
ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to expend up to \$850.00 from surplus to support the purchase of a memorial plaque recognizing the men and women from Searsport who served in World War II. The plaque will be prominently displayed in Union Hall.

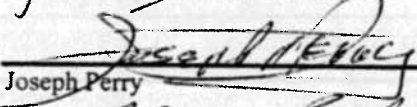
The Polls for voting on Articles 1 and 2 will be open at 8:00 A.M. in the forenoon and will close at 8:00 P.M. in the evening of March 5th, 2013 at the Public Safety Building at 3 Union Street, Searsport, ME.

The Registrar of Voters will be in session on Tuesday, March 5th, 2013, for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Searsport, Maine, the 19th day of February, 2013.



Aaron Fethke, Chairman

Richard Desmarais, Vice Chair

Joseph Perry

Roland LaReau

Doug Norman

TOWN OF SEARSPORT CHANGEABLE SIGNS ORDINANCE

1. AUTHORITY.

The Town of Searsport hereby enacts this “Changeable Signs Ordinance” (hereinafter the “Ordinance”) pursuant to 23 M.R.S.A. §1914 (11-A), 30-A M.R.S.A. §3001.

2. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to regulate the frequency and manner of change of display on each side of a changeable sign in a manner contrary to that provided by State law, and to do so in a manner that promotes highway safety.

3. DEFINITIONS.

- a. Changeable Sign – “Changeable sign” means an on-premises sign created, designed, manufactured or modified in such a way that its message may be electronically, digitally or mechanically altered by the complete substitution or replacement of one display by another on each side.
- b. Display – “Display” means that portion of the surface area of a changeable sign that is, or is designed to be or is capable of being periodically altered for the purpose of conveying a message.
- c. Message – “Message” means a communication conveyed by means of a visual display of text.

4. REGULATIONS.

- a. The display on each side of the changeable sign may be changed no more frequently than once every twenty (20) seconds.
- b. The display on each side of the changeable sign must change as rapidly as technologically practicable, but the display may change through phasing, rolling, scrolling or blending; provided, however, that the display on each side of a changeable sign shall not flash.

5. ADMINISTRATION.

Pursuant to 23 M.R.S.A § 1914 (11-A), the changeable signs within the municipality and displays on each side of those changeable signs shall comply with all other requirements of State law. The Town shall notify the Maine Department of Transportation in writing that it has adopted this Ordinance and shall send it a copy of the same. The Maine Department of Transportation shall administer the provisions of this Ordinance.

DATE OF ENACTMENT: March 9, 2013.

TOWN of SEARSPORT
PROPERTY DECLARATION
LIST OF ESTATES NOT EXEMPT FROM TAXATION
Filed Pursuant to Title 36, M.R.S.A., SECTION 706

To the Assessor of the Town of Searsport

Date _____

1. I _____ am a legal resident of _____ (Municipality) _____ (State)
(Name)

2. List briefly each parcel subject to taxation on April 1 of the year for which this list is filed and located in the Town of Searsport:

<u>Location</u> (Street & #, Map/Lot, or other brief description)	<u>Area of Land</u> (Lot dimensions in feet; or acres)	<u>Type of Structure</u> (i.e. Dwelling, Barn, Garage, *Mobile Home, Store, etc.)
a. _____	_____	_____
b. _____	_____	_____
c. _____	_____	_____
d. _____	_____	_____

(If additional space is required, use a blank sheet and attach)

3. Structures on land not owned by you

List property owned by you on April 1, which is located on leased land or land not owned by you, including dwelling houses, mobile homes, camps, stores, or any structures. Identify landowner and location in use.

<u>Location</u> (Street & #, Map/Lot, or other brief description)	<u>Owner of Land</u> (Name)	<u>Type of Structure</u> (i.e. Dwelling, Barn, Garage, *Mobile Home, Store, etc.)
a. _____	_____	_____
b. _____	_____	_____
c. _____	_____	_____

Have any of these buildings been constructed or altered since the previous April 1? ____ Yes ____ No

If so, identify and give a brief description of construction or alteration:

4. PERSONAL PROPERTY

Check items owned or in possession and subject to taxation in the Town of Searsport in the year in which this list is being filed.

- a. Machinery and equipment (industrial, mercantile, farm, etc.) _____
- b. Furniture and fixtures (store, office, commercial, etc.) _____
- c. Other (computer related equipment) _____
- d. Please briefly identify the above listed personal property _____

The foregoing is submitted in compliance with Title 36, M. R. S. A., Section 706, and is true and correct to the best of my belief as of April 1 of the current year.

I understand that the assessor may require me to make oath of the foregoing: and that the assessor may require me to answer in writing all proper inquiries as to the nature, situation and value of any property liable to be taxed in the State of Maine and that a refusal or neglect to answer such further inquiries and subscribe the same may bar the right of an appeal.

Date _____ Signature of Taxpayer (If signed on behalf of a corporation, please state capacity) _____

Street & Number/P.O. Box _____ Town/City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone Number (____) _____

